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Bush Admits Errors in Iraq

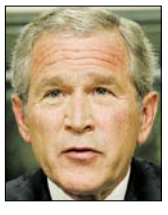
President announces plans to deploy 21,500 more troops

WASHINGTON | Unswayed by anti-war passions, President Bush said Wednesday he will send 21,500 additional U.S. forces to Iraq to break the cycle of violence and "hasten the day our troops begin coming home." He acknowledged making mistakes in earlier security efforts in Baghdad.

The troop buildup will push the American presence in Iraq toward its highest level and put Bush on a collision course with the new Democratic Congress.

It also runs counter to advice from some generals.

The president said Iraq must meet its responsibilities, too — but he put no deadlines on Baghdad to do so.



Bush

"America's commitment is not open-ended," Bush said in excerpts of his prime-time speech released earlier in the day. "If the Iraqi government does not follow through on its promises, it will lose the support of the American people and it will lose the support of the Iraqi people."

Bush readily acknowledged making mistakes in previous efforts to quell the near-anarchy in Baghdad.

"There were not enough Iraqi and American troops to secure neighborhoods that had been cleared of terrorists and insurgents," the president said. "And there were too many restrictions on the troops we did have."

He said Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki had promised that U.S. forces would have a free hand and that "political or sectarian interference will not be tolerated."

TERENCE HUNT (AP)

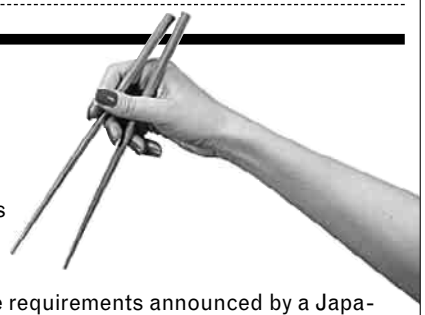
✣ **Hindsight:** Humbled Bush tries to prove that he now understands what went wrong in Iraq | **Today's Post, A1**



COMPENSATION | **No Salary? Pour Me Another**

Drinking on this job won't get you fired — in fact, it's required. The Four Points by Sheraton hotel chain is looking to fill a newly created post of chief beer officer. The company reports there are more than 5,500 applicants from 31 countries. But, of course, there's a downside to what might sound like a dream job: There's no salary for the chief beer officer position. However, there are plenty of perks, such as a trip to Oktoberfest in Munich, Germany. (AP) **EyeOpeners | Page 2**

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ETIQUETTE

We Just Laid Off Half of Our Janitors

Math whizzes and other prodigies need not apply unless they can demonstrate dexterity with a pair of chopsticks under new entrance requirements announced by a Japanese girls' school Wednesday. Successful applicants to the Hisatagakuen Sasebo Girls' High School must be able to transfer marbles, beads and beans from one plate to another using just a pair of chopsticks. The test aims to judge applicants' lifestyle habits through their handling of chopsticks and must be taken by all candidates — ages 15 or 16 years — starting with those wishing to enroll in April, the start of Japan's academic year. (AP)

COWORKERS

They Already Goof Off on Your Crutches

An Andover, England, company that makes stairlifts has been fined for refusing to install a stairlift in its own facility for a disabled employee — telling him it would hurt productivity, the Daily Mail reported. David Ratcliffe told his Stannah Stairlift bosses he was having trouble reaching his second-floor office and needed a stairlift, but a manager laughed and told him, "everyone would want to ride on it and no work would get done." When he later made further complaints, he was fired. (EXPRESS)



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ENTERTAINMENT

Court Jesters

The 2007 Sydney Invitational: Come for the tennis, stay for the costumed guys playing with reptiles. Just another missed motto opportunity for organizers after street performer Max Myer — dressed as "Rood the Kangaroo" — did his schtick with a live saltwater crocodile at the tennis tournament Tuesday. Performance artists have become an integral part of tennis tournaments in Australia as a means of entertaining crowds walking between courts. (EXPRESS)



"No, see, I like to use this thing to get around after I run more than 26 miles."

DISABILITY

Yeah, But I Ran Them All Really Slowly

A Mansfield, England, man who received disability payments for 13 years faces jail after being caught running marathons, the Sun reported. Paul Appleby told the Department of Work and Pensions he needed 24-hour care, a wheelchair, two walking sticks and a walking frame because of a back injury. In 1994, the department determined that he was eligible for the maximum disability allowance. (EXPRESS)

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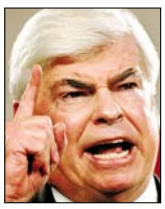
SOUR NOTE: Members of an all-male singing group from Yale University say they were attacked and taunted with anti-gay slurs after singing "The Star Spangled Banner" at a New Year's Eve party. At least three members of the Baker's Dozen a cappella group were hurt.

In Brief

NEW YORK

Sen. Dodd Set to Announce 2008 Bid for President

Democratic Sen. Christopher Dodd, a veteran lawmaker who entered Congress in the post-Watergate class of 1974, will announce his bid for the presidency, Democratic officials said Wednesday. Dodd will travel late Thursday to Iowa, which will host the first presidential nominating caucus next January. (AP)



Dodd

LOS ANGELES

City Health Officials Vote To Study Trans-Fat Ban

The government war on trans fats, started when New York City banned it from restaurant food, has reached Los Angeles. Los Angeles County supervisors voted Tuesday to study the feasibility of banning artificial trans fats from restaurants there, and the City Council in 2006 asked for similar report. Public health officials will be asked to review the issue with the restaurant industry and community health organizations. (AP)

Voting on Stem Cells

➜ The House is expected to pass legislation on Thursday that would loosen President Bush's restrictions on human embryonic stem cell research. | **Today, A Section**

IN The Washington Post

House OKs Raise in Minimum Wage

Measure to increase pay to $7.25 per hour to go before Senate

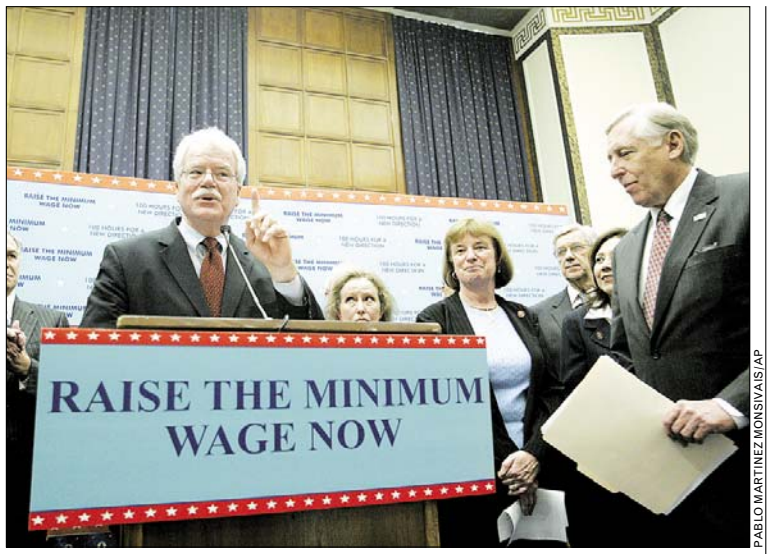
WASHINGTON | The Democratic-controlled House voted Wednesday to increase the federal minimum wage to $7.25 an hour, bringing America's lowest-paid workers a crucial step closer to their first raise in a decade.

The vote was 315-116, with more than 80 Republicans joining Democrats to pass it.

"You should not be relegated to poverty if you work hard and play by the rules," said House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, D-Md.

The bill was the second measure passed since Democrats took control of the House, ending more than a decade of Republican rule.

The measure, which now goes to the Senate, would raise the federal wage floor by $2.10 from its current $5.15 an hour in three steps over 26 months. The Senate is expected to move quickly — perhaps in the next few weeks — on a similar bill. Business groups and some Republican lawmakers hope they will be able to get some business-friendly provisions into the Senate package.



PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP

Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee, introduces House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer of Md., right, on Capitol Hill Wednesday.

The last increase was in 1997, when President Clinton successfully prodded the GOP-controlled Congress to enact the increase. Republicans declined to approve another raise for the six years in which they held majorities in the House and Senate and President Bush was in the White House.

Organized labor and other supporters pitched the bill as badly needed assistance for the working poor. Business groups and other critics said it could lead to higher prices for goods and services, force small companies to pink-slip existing workers or hire fewer new ones, and crimp profits.

The White House issued a statement saying it opposed the bill because it "fails to provide relief to small businesses."

Senate Democratic leaders have already signaled they will accept changes designed to shield small businesses from adverse consequences of higher labor costs.

JEANNINE AVERSA (AP)

Pelosi Bans Smoking in House Lobby

WASHINGTON | Smokers may be one minority in Congress with even fewer rights than newly demoted Republicans. Now they are losing one of their last, cherished prerogatives — a smoke break in the ornate Speaker's Lobby just off the House floor.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., announced a ban Wednesday, effective immediately.

"The days of smoke-filled rooms in the United States Capitol are over," Pelosi said. "Medical science has unquestionably established the dangerous effects of secondhand smoke, including an increased risk of cancer and respiratory diseases. I am a firm believer that Congress should lead by example."



Pelosi

Lawmakers will be free to light up in their own offices. But no longer can they mingle in the Speaker's Lobby in a haze of cigarette smoke during House votes.

House Minority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio, is a heavy smoker, often found at the center of a group puffing away in a corner of the lobby. He had little to say Wednesday about Pelosi's move. Questioned at a news conference, Boehner described it as "fine." He did not elaborate. (AP)

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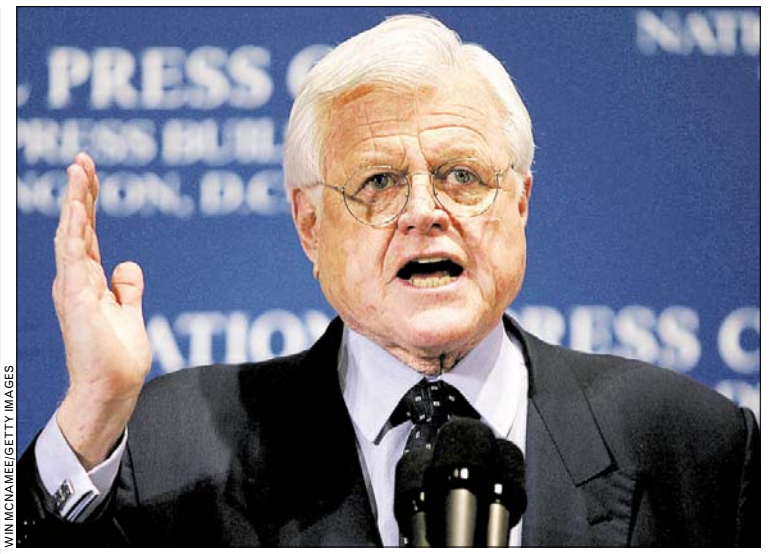
Nation



MOM ACCOMPLICE: A mother in Rhode Island was arrested after police say she drove her suspended 13-year-old daughter to school to fight a teenage rival.

Kennedy Urges Health Plan

Senator: Medicare coverage should be provided to all in U.S.



WIN MCNAMEE/GETTY IMAGES

Sen. Edward Kennedy — the new chairman of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee — wants Medicare coverage to be extended to all.

WASHINGTON | The federal government should join the state of Massachusetts in enacting universal health coverage, said Sen. Edward Kennedy, the new chairman of the Senate committee with jurisdiction over numerous health issues.

Kennedy's home state is the first to require everyone to have health insurance, just as drivers must have automobile coverage.

Kennedy has his own version of what universal health coverage would look like. He wants to extend Medicare to all. In his first hearing Wednesday as chairman of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, the Massachusetts Democrat called on 10 witnesses from all over the country to talk about how to make health care more affordable.

"Insurance coverage is down. Costs are up. And America is heading to the bottom of the league of major nations in important measures of the quality of care," Kennedy said.

Kennedy emphasized how Democratic legislators in his home state worked last year with Republican Gov. Mitt Romney in crafting universal coverage there. He wants the same spirit of compromise to take hold in Congress.

The Massachusetts law requires employers with 11 or more full-time employees to offer health coverage or be subject to a $295 fee for each employee. KEVIN FREKING (AP)






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Nation

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744K Homeless in 2005

First national estimate says more than half were living in shelters

WASHINGTON | There were 744,000 homeless people in the United States in 2005, according to the first national estimate in a decade.

A little more than half were living in shelters, and nearly a quarter were chronically homeless, according to the report Wednesday by the National Alliance to End Homelessness, an advocacy group.

A majority of the homeless were single adults, but about 41 percent were in families, according to the report.

The group compiled data collected by the Department of Housing and Urban Development from service providers in the first national study of the number of homeless people since 1996. That study came up with a wide range for America's homeless population: between 444,000 and 842,000. Counting people without permanent addresses, especially those living on the street, is an inexact process.

"Having this data brings all of us another step closer to understanding the scope and nature of homelessness in America, and establishing this baseline is an extremely challenging task," HUD Secretary Alphonso Jackson said. "Understanding homelessness is a necessary step to addressing it successfully."

STEPHEN OHLEMACHER (AP)



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A homeless man sleeps on Hollywood Boulevard in Hollywood, Calif. A study found almost a quarter of homeless people in 2005 were chronically homeless.

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World

In Brief



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Lebanese students protest against planned tax hikes in Beirut Wednesday.

BEIRUT, LEBANON

Trade Unions May Intensify Anti-Government Protests

Trade unions threatened Wednesday to escalate protests unless the government drops plans to raise taxes, adding to troubles for Lebanon's U.S.-backed prime minister amid an opposition campaign to bring him down. Nearly 1,000 unionists gathered outside the Energy Ministry building in central Beirut in the second day of demonstrations against the proposed tax increases by the government of Prime Minister Fuad Saniora. (AP)

CEBU, PHILIPPINES

3 Bomb Blasts Kill 7 Ahead Of Asian Regional Summits

Three bomb blasts rocked the southern Philippines ahead of twin Asian regional summits this weekend, as President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo called for a redoubling of efforts to fight terrorism and poverty. The blasts — which killed at least seven — came as foreign and economic ministers began arriving for the summits. (AP)

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM

EU Announces Ambitious Plan to Rethink Energy Use

The European Union on Wednesday announced plans to lower energy consumption, develop renewable sources such as wind power and biofuels and increase research into cutting carbon emissions from fuels already in use. The ambitious proposals seek to deter growing dependence on oil and gas imports and curb the emissions blamed for climate change. (AP)

20 Reportedly Targeted in Somalia

Ethiopian PM says U.S. strike focused on group tied to al-Qaeda

MOGADISHU, SOMALIA | Ethiopia's prime minister said Wednesday the U.S. military targeted 20 high-level members of an Islamic movement linked to al-Qaeda in an airstrike this week in southern Somalia, attacking quickly before the Islamists could escape.

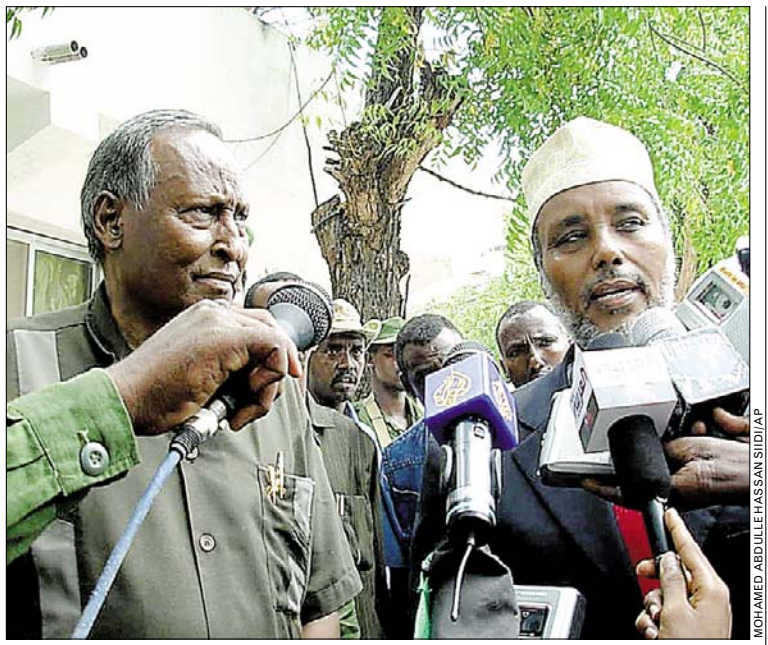
The chief of staff for the Somali president claimed that a senior al-Qaeda figure was killed in Monday's airstrike, although U.S. officials did not confirm it.

The air assault has been criticized internationally, with the African Union, European Union and United Nations among those expressing concern. But British Prime Minister Tony Blair told lawmakers it was right to stand up to extremists who were using violence to "get their way" in Somalia.

Somali lawmaker Abdulrashid Hidig said the U.S. launched a new airstrike Wednesday around Ras Kamboni, a rugged coastal area a few miles from the Kenyan border where Monday's attack took place. He cited the Somali military as the source of the information.

Ethiopian Prime Minister Meles Zenawi told reporters in his country's capital, Addis Ababa, that eight suspected terrorists were killed in Monday's airstrike, five were wounded and taken into custody by Ethiopian forces, and seven escaped.

Meles said most of the victims were Somali, but the identities would not be confirmed until DNA testing is completed. (AP)



MOHAMED ABDULLE HASSAN SIIDI/AP

UNDER PRESSURE: Somalia's President Abdullahi Yusuf, left, and former President Abdi Kasim speak to reporters after meeting in Mogadishu on Wednesday.

No Change In Sudan's U.N. Stance

KHARTOUM, SUDAN | Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir on Wednesday rebuffed calls for U.N. peacekeeping troops in war-ravaged Darfur despite personal pleas from New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson.

Richardson wrapped up a four-day private diplomatic mission with a conditional promise from various factions in the conflict for another cease-fire.

Al-Bashir has resisted international pressure to allow U.N. forces in Darfur, arguing they would be "colonialist." The Sudanese leader complained to the U.S. delegation that American promises to Sudan had gone unrealized while little pressure had been applied to rebel groups.

Seven thousand African Union troops have been assigned to provide security in Darfur.

Meanwhile, the U.N. mission in Sudan said Wednesday that over 20 people were killed and 14 wounded during tribal fighting in North Darfur. (AP)

Iraqi PM to Rein in Shiite Militiamen

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | Iraq's prime minister has told Shiite militiamen to surrender their arms or face an all-out assault by U.S.-backed Iraqi forces, senior Iraqi officials said Wednesday.

Under pressure from the U.S., Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki has agreed to crack down on fighters controlled by his most powerful political ally, Muqtada al-Sadr, a radical Shiite cleric, according to officials. Previously, al-Maliki had resisted the move.

Police on Wednesday reported that at least 92 people had died violently or been found dead across the country.

In a single deadly attack, Sunni gunmen opened fire on a convoy of buses carrying Shiite Muslim pilgrims home from the hajj, the annual pilgrimage to Muslim holy places in Saudi Arabia, according to police and Akeel al-Khazaali, the governor of the southern province of Karbala.

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MONUMENTAL MAKEOVER: Archaeologists and conservationists have begun giving a face-lift to the massive gates of India's Taj Mahal to repair weather damage to the 17th-century monument. Two of the three stone gates are being repaired and restored.

Chavez Touts Venezuelan Socialism

At inauguration for third term, leader pledges a bold path

CARACAS, VENEZUELA | Invoking Jesus Christ and Fidel Castro as his socialist models, President Hugo Chavez began his third term Wednesday by declaring that socialism, not capitalism, is the only way forward for Venezuela and the world.

His first stop: Nicaragua, where leftist ally Daniel Ortega was returning to power with his own inauguration hours later.

At the apex of a resurgent Latin American left, Chavez has been emboldened to make more radical changes at home after winning reelection with 63 percent of the vote, his widest margin ever.

His next moves include nationalizing electrical and phone companies, forming a commission to oversee constitutional reforms and asking the National Assembly, now entirely controlled by his supporters, to allow him to enact "revolutionary laws" by presidential decree.

His right hand raised Wednesday, Chavez declared in words reminiscent of Castro's famous call to arms: "Fatherland, socialism or death — I swear it." He also alluded to Jesus: "I swear by Christ — the greatest socialist in history."

In a speech, he said the central aim of his term will be "to build Venezuelan socialism."

With oil profits booming and his popularity high, Chavez seems to be in step with many Venezuelans even as spooked investors rushed to sell off stocks in companies subject to his nationalization plans. (AP)



LESLIE MAZOCH/AP

ON THE LEFT: Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez greets crowds in Caracas on Wednesday amid events marking the start of his third term, which will run until 2013.

Official: Russian Oil Is Flowing Through Belarus

MINSK, BELARUS | Russian oil began flowing again through a Belarusan pipeline late Wednesday, a Belarusan oil official said, signaling an end to a dispute that caused relations between Minsk and Moscow to plummet and sent ripples of doubt across Europe.

Russian oil entered the Belarusan system around 10:30 p.m. local time Wednesday, said Alexei Kostuchenko, general director of pipeline concern Gomeltransneft-Druzhba. He did not give any details about the volume being moved.

There was no immediate word from Russian oil officials about the shipments, which were resumed hours after the Belarusan government lifted a transit tax on Russian oil shipments. (AP)



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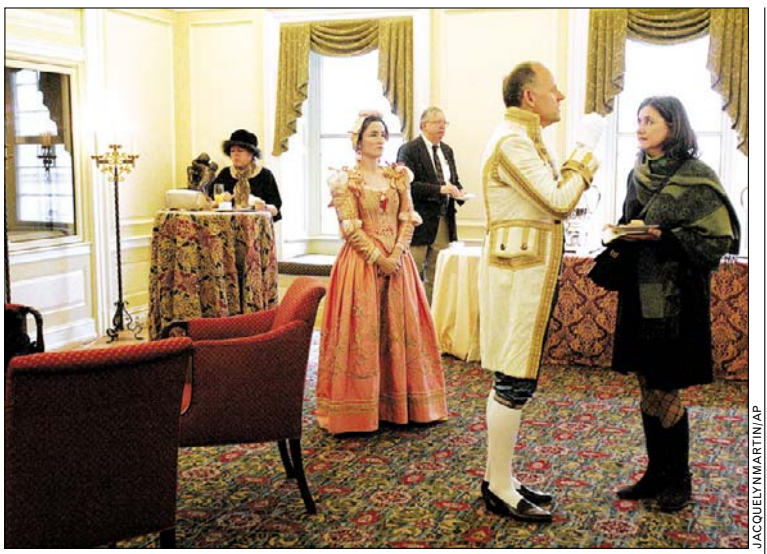
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SCHOOL OF CONTINUING STUDIES

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Local



JACQUELYN MARTIN/AP

Washington National Opera supernumerary Victor Yager, front left, speaks with costume director Marsha Leboeuf at a reception in Washington on Wednesday.

District Buys Illegal House

$1.5 million spent for structure that did not get commission's OK

WASHINGTON | The District has paid $1.5 million for a house with marble baths, a hot tub and commanding views of Rock Creek Park.

But nobody will ever live there. The home will be razed in the coming months because it was never supposed to be built in the first place.

The error occurred more than a year ago when the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs improperly approved building permits for two houses near Rock Creek Park without a review by the U.S. Commission on Fine Arts. The review is required for construction across from federal parkland.

The commission later approved one of the houses, but determined the second home was "inappropriate" because it was situated in the backyard of the other house, blocking its views and those of two other homes in the upscale neighborhood.

As part of a settlement with the neighbors, the city agreed in December to purchase the large Cape Cod-Tudor from its owners, who had spent more than $1.1 million purchasing the land and building the four-story home. Residents of the three homes adjoining the property agreed to purchase the land for $135,000.

D.C. officials said that they do not know how much it will cost to demolish the house, but they will put the job out to bid and expect the house to be flattened by March.

"It was definitely a costly mistake," said Patrick Canavan, former director of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs. (AP)

Opera to Start Season With Public Simulcast

New production to be shown on the Mall for opening in September

WASHINGTON | A new production of Giacomo Puccini's "La Boheme" will open the next season of the Washington National Opera in September and be simulcast for the public on the National Mall, general director Placido Domingo said Wednesday.

The season also includes Domingo's American debut singing in the role of Bajazet in Handel's rarely performed work "Tamerlano," as the enslaved Ottoman emperor whose changing marital intentions lead to conspiracy and suicide. Domingo also will conduct a new production of Mozart's "Don Giovanni."

"We are dropping names here — Handel, Puccini, Mozart. It's good," Domingo said. "The season offers some of the essentials, from the modern to the classical."

One of the modern highlights of the season will be William Bolcom's adaptation of Arthur Miller's melodrama "A View from the Bridge," which is set in post-war New York and tells the story of a Brooklyn longshoreman. Catherine Malfitano, Kim Josephson, Gregory Turay and Christina Brandes from the original Chicago production will join the Washington National Opera for the six performances in November.

Domingo said he had hoped to bring Bolcom's production to Washington immediately after its premiere at the Lyric Opera of Chicago, but it was already spoken for by New York's Metropolitan Opera. (AP)

Man Jumps to His Death at GMU

FAIRFAX, VA. | A man committed suicide by jumping from the top floor of the George Mason University student center Tuesday and falling three stories to an open indoor courtyard, university officials said.

Martin Klapproth, 26, had been enrolled as an undergraduate in the fall but was not enrolled for the upcoming semester, said university spokesman Daniel Walsch.

Klapproth was pronounced dead at an area hospital. University police and the state medical examiner ruled the death a suicide, Walsch said. (AP)

Elevator Shaft Death Under Investigation

→ A naked construction worker fell about four stories to his death early Wednesday morning at the work site for a new downtown Washington museum, officials said. | **Today's Post, Metro**

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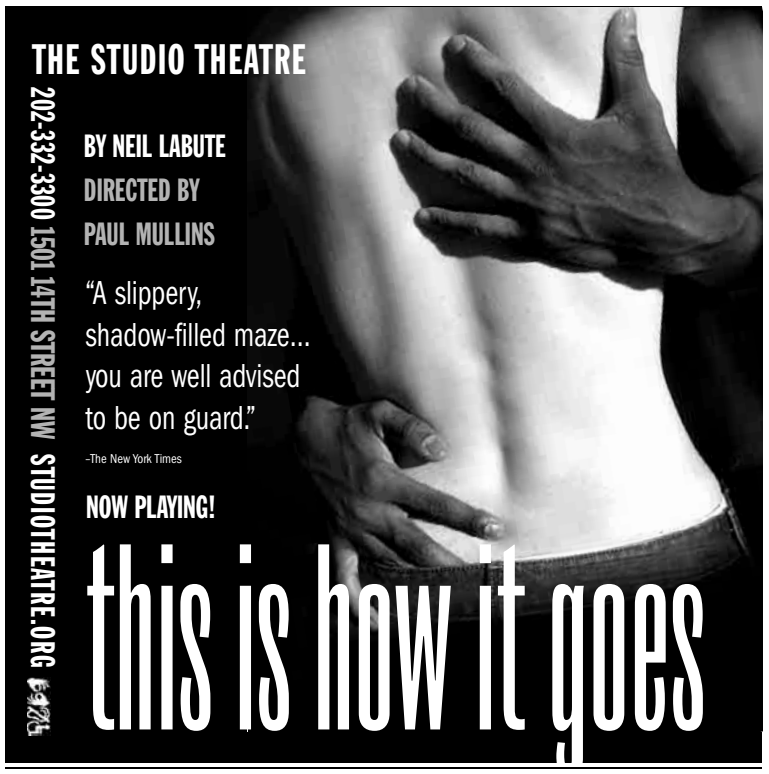
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Money

Trade Deficit Drops by 1%

U.S. bill for foreign oil falls to $21.5B; exports rise to an all-time high

WASHINGTON | The trade deficit fell for a third straight month as the U.S. bill for foreign oil declined to the lowest level in 16 months and American exports hit an all-time high.

The deficit for November declined by 1 percent to $58.2 billion, the lowest since July 2005, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday. The trade gap hadn't fallen for three consecutive months since early 2003.

The Bush administration hailed the improvement as a sign that its efforts to pry open foreign markets were working. "When we open overseas markets, American companies, consumers and workers benefit," said Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutierrez.

But administration critics said even with the recent improvement, the 2006 deficit will still be significantly higher than in 2005, with much of the deterioration coming from China.

"Our trade deficit is still out of control. Unless the administration takes action to end China's unfair currency manipulation, we will continue to see the problem get worse," said Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., the new chairman of the Joint Economic Committee.

The overall deficit for 2006 is running at an annual rate of $765.4 billion, putting the country on track to see a record imbalance for the fifth consecutive year. The deficit for all of 2005 was $716.7 billion.

For November, U.S. exports of goods and services rose 0.9 percent to a record high of $124.8 billion, reflecting a big jump in sales of commercial aircraft and aircraft parts.

America's bill for foreign oil fell 0.4 percent to $21.5 billion, the third straight decline after petroleum imports hit an all-time high of $29.3 billion in August when global oil prices were surging.

Analysts believe oil imports will continue to moderate with oil now trading around $55 per barrel, compared to the all-time high above $78 per barrel set last summer. MARTIN CRUTSINGER (AP)

US Airways Increases Bid for Delta

ATLANTA | US Airways increased the pressure on Delta Air Lines' unsecured creditors to take its buyout offer by raising the bid Wednesday nearly 20 percent to $10.3 billion. Whether the deal would survive regulatory scrutiny may be the deciding factor.

The Tempe, Ariz.-based company also set a Feb. 1 deadline for certain conditions to be met or its entire bid would be revoked.



AL BEHRMAN/FILE/AP

Delta had planned to emerge from bankruptcy as a stand-alone company.

The ball is now in the creditors' court. The question is whether they want to take the money US Airways is offering and run the risk of a long regulatory fight, or stick with Delta's plan to emerge from bankruptcy by the middle of this year as a stand-alone company worth $9.4 billion to $12 billion.

Most of the large creditors on the committee have refused to discuss their position publicly, except Delta's pilots union, which opposes the merger. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
DoralFin	2.53	+.42	+19.9
LenoxGrp	3.71	+.46	+14.2
VoltInf	60.79	+6.62	+12.2
LVSands	102.81	+10.43	+11.3
CooperCo	51.39	+5.13	+11.1

Losers

OxfordInds	43.08	-6.46	-13.0
Synnex	20.25	-1.65	-7.5
BallyTotF	2.13	-.16	-7.0
SixFlags	5.43	-.38	-6.5
MarineP	9.52	-.62	-6.1

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Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
OceanB	5.11	+3.28	+179.2
ClevBioL n	7.38	+2.38	+47.6
NatHlTre lf	2.25	+.70	+45.2
Innodata	2.76	+.74	+36.6
Iomai n	4.96	-.02	-0.4

Losers

BioImaging	7.31	-1.77	-19.5
NuCo2	20.15	-3.72	-15.6
MaxwllT	11.29	-1.60	-12.4
MedisTech	14.98	-1.62	-9.8
Plexus	20.90	-2.23	-9.6

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.25	5.25
3-month disc	4.96	4.92
2-year	4.81	4.76
10-year	4.69	4.66
30-year	4.78	4.76

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
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Canadian Dollar	1.1760	1.1759	1.1640
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Japanese Yen	119.60	119.36	114.41
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Taiwanese Dollar	32.75	32.73	32.02

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Bank Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AustNZ	107.98	-.44	-3.2
BcoSnCH	18.37	-.44	-1.6
BkofAm	53.58	+.08	+.4
BkNova g	43.12	-.68	-3.8
Citigrp	54.13	-.44	-2.8
DeutschBk	131.57	-1.10	-1.3
JPMorgCh	48.10	+.35	+.3
MitsuUFJ	12.56	-.08	+.9
RoyalBk gs	45.50	-.39	-4.5
TorDBk g	58.21	-.41	-1.4
UBS AG s	59.90	-.24	-.7
US Bancrp	35.61	-.02	-1.6
Wachovia	56.62	+.11	-.6
WA Mutl	44.93	+.02	-1.2
WellsFgo s	35.48	-.11	-.2



DOWN AND OUT: Venus Williams withdrew from the Australian Open on Wednesday because of an aggravated left wrist injury. Williams had an injury-plagued 2006, playing only two matches after Wimbledon and finishing the year at No. 48 in the rankings.

Sports

Streaky Capitals Are Staying Afloat

Improbably, rebuilding team overcomes odds to stay in playoff hunt

CAPITALS | It seems improbable that the rebuilding Washington Capitals have survived injuries, illness and inexperience to keep themselves in the playoff mix this late in the season.

But a look at the standings Wednesday morning showed the Capitals in postseason position in the log-jammed Eastern Conference. A look at the calendar showed January, with fewer games remaining than have been played. And a look at team's results showed a three-game winning streak with a key test coming up — a four-game road trip against other East teams jockeying for position.

"It's going right down to April," goaltender Olie Kolzig said. "And the thing with us, we've just got to eliminate those negative rolls we get on sometimes. We had that six-game winless streak and a five-game losing streak, and we've still managed to be in eighth spot in our conference."



MITCHELL LAYTON/GETTY IMAGES

Alex Ovechkin gets congratulations from his teammates after scoring in the Caps' 6-2 win over the Flyers on Tuesday. The streaky Caps are still part of the playoff hunt.

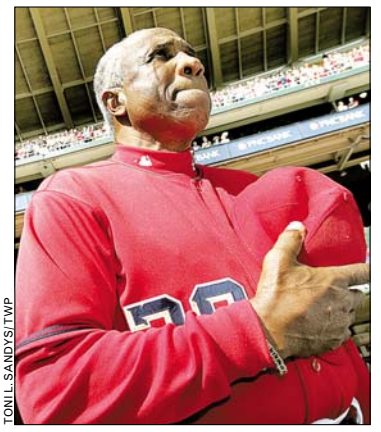
The Capitals (19-17-7) were expected to improve on their 29 wins from last season, but they could have easily been accused of wishing and hoping during training camp when the spoke about earning a playoff spot for the first time since owner Ted Leonsis' pre-lockout fire sale during the 2003-04 season.

Furthermore, once the season was under way, they had several chances to tank — and they didn't. An 0-4-2 run was followed by a 7-1-1 spurt. Then came the five-game skid from Christmas to New Year's, when the team was calling up green minor leaguers almost daily because of injuries and a team-wide virus that hit during the most compact part of the schedule.

Then coach Glen Hanlon made a change. He realized he was putting too much pressure on the players too soon in the season, so he and his assistants backed off and turned the team's psyche over to the veterans.

So, at the regular meeting before last week's game against Montreal, the coaches gave the team the game plan and left the room. Kolzig, captain Chris Clark and the other leaders handled the rest.

"Sometimes, especially when we're on a losing streak, he feels that their message gets old and people start tuning them out — which wasn't the case — but he just felt it was time for the players to take charge," Kolzig said. "They'll set up the game plan, but it's up to us to get everybody going and make everybody accountable to each other. And it's worked. We've played some pretty solid hockey." JOSEPH WHITE (AP)



TONI L. SANDYS/TWP

Frank Robinson tears up before his last game as the Nationals' manager.

Robinson Won't Stay With Nats

Team tells the former manager he's not part of the plans in 2007

NATIONALS | Former manager Frank Robinson will not return to the Washington Nationals with any sort of full-time job, and he said Wednesday it bothers him the team took until this week to get in touch to deliver that news.

"When someone doesn't want you around, they don't reach out to you," Robinson said in a telephone interview from California, where he lives. "They don't make you feel like you are wanted."

Robinson was told during the final week of the 2006 season, his fifth with the Expos-Nationals franchise, that he wouldn't be brought back as manager. At the time, the possibility was raised of some sort of future role with the team for the Hall of Famer who hit 586 homers during his major league career.

But general manager Jim Bowden called Robinson on Monday to tell him the team did not have a spot for him.

"We have decided not to offer Frank a full-time position going forward," team president Stan Kasten said Wednesday at a round-table session with reporters. "It's a difficult decision for me personally, because all of us have so much respect for Frank. ... I have nothing critical to say about him." (AP)

Kidd's Divorce Paper Claims Are Questioned

NBA | A day after NBA star Jason Kidd claimed in divorce papers to be a victim of spousal abuse, his wife's attorney said Kidd had no reason to fear the diminutive woman.

"He says he's threatened by her? He's a star athlete. She's 5-foot-2, I think, and 105 pounds," said celebrity divorce lawyer Raoul Felder.

The 33-year-old Kidd filed for divorce from his wife on Tuesday, a day after a court issued him a temporary restraining order against her.

In court papers, Kidd said his wife physically and mentally abused him, threatened to make false domestic violence complaints against him to police and interfered with his relationship with his children. BETH DEFALCO (AP)

Ripken Interested in Buying Orioles

Shortstop hasn't been approached yet about possible ownership

ORIOLES | Cal Ripken Jr. would be interesting in buying the Baltimore Orioles if Peter Angelos decides to sell the team.

Ripken Professional Baseball has owned the Class-A Aberdeen Ironbirds of the New York-Penn League since 2002 and the Class-A Augusta GreenJackets of the South Atlantic League since 2005.

There has been speculation that Ripken would want to own the Orioles and he was asked Wednesday about a possible purchase at the Hall of Fame news conference.

"I haven't been approached," he said. "I've thought about that, yes, and if an opportunity were to arise, if Mr. Angelos would want to sell the club, it would be an interesting thought process to go through."



SETH WENIG/AP

Cal Ripken Jr. poses at his Hall of Fame news conference on Wednesday.

Ripken spent 21 seasons playing for the Orioles before his retirement in 2001. He and Tony Gwynn were elected to the Hall of Fame on Tuesday in their first appearances on the ballot and will be inducted this July.

Angelos has owned the Orioles since 1993.

"Right now, I'm very content in learning the business in the minor leagues and also developing kids' complexes and really growing the game of baseball at the grass-roots level," Ripken said. "But certainly if that ever became an opportunity, I certainly would look to be a part of that." (AP)

New Nats: The Nationals sign four teenagers from the Dominican Republic. | **Today's Post, Sports**

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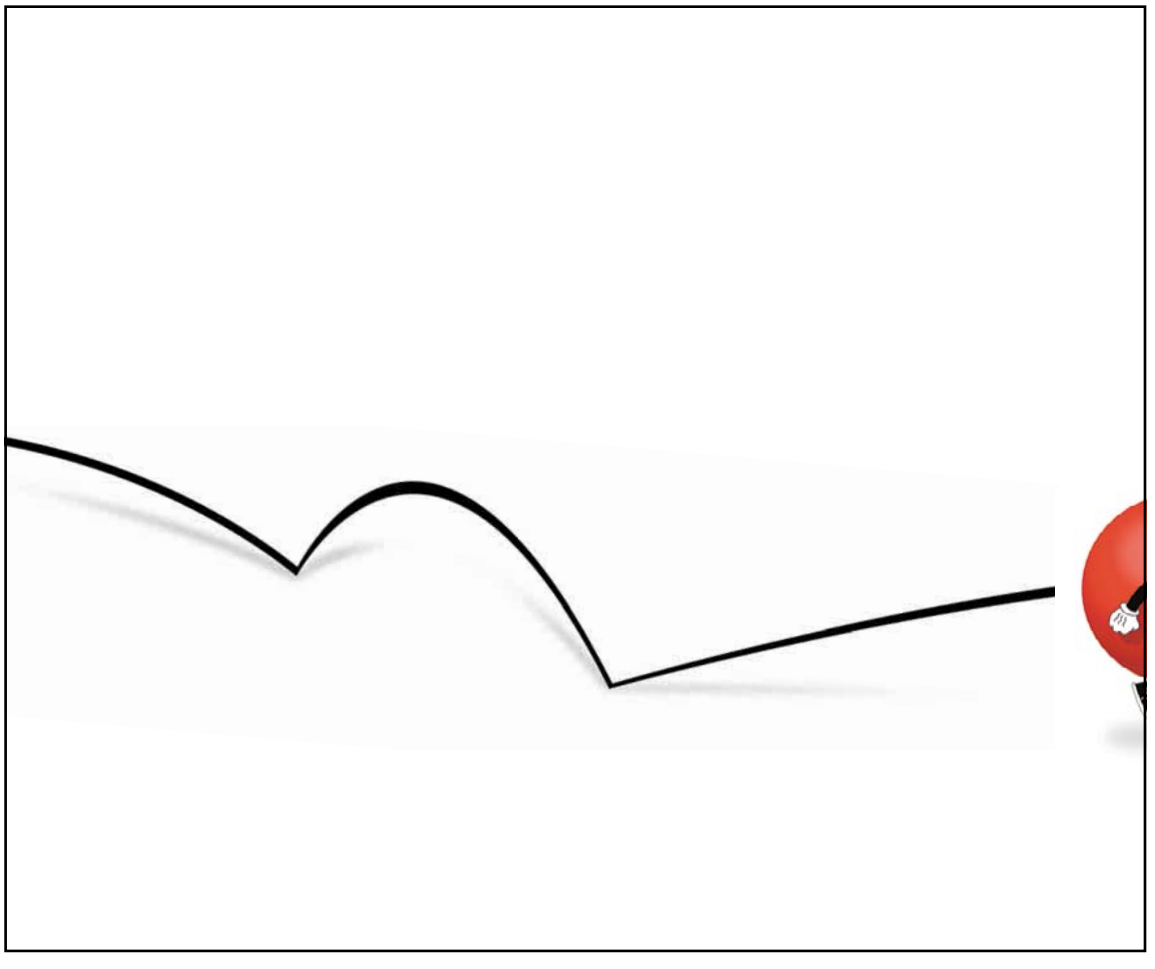
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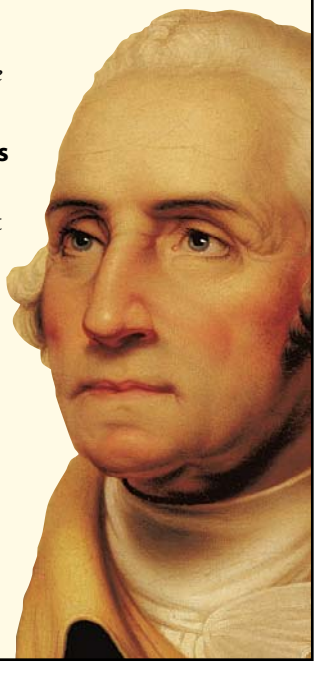
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"I've got to tell you that I'm always chasing a challenge. I'm teased by all challenges." —**USC coach Pete Carroll**, who was interviewed for the Miami Dolphins job on Tuesday. In the same conversation, Carroll said he wanted to stay at USC.



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Pryce Is the Right Fit in Baltimore

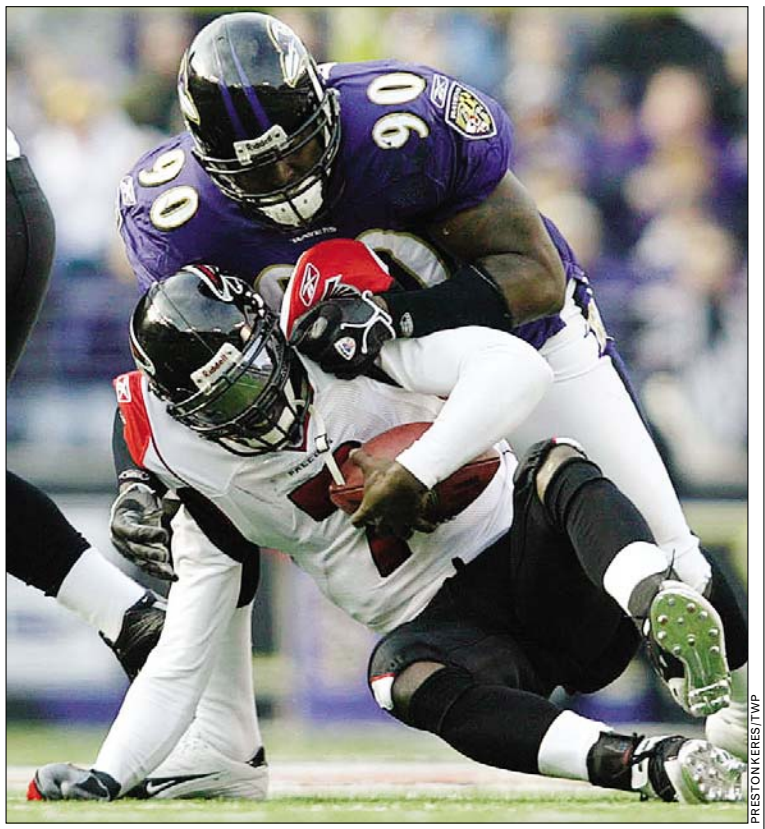
Lineman leads the Ravens in sacks and is loving his new squad

RAVENS | The Baltimore Ravens were walking off the practice field recently when defensive end Trevor Pryce pulled coach Brian Billick aside for a brief chat.

"I was telling Brian that this is the most fun I've had playing football in a long time," Pryce said. "When you're winning, that cures a lot of things."

Baltimore is 13-3 and Pryce leads the team with 13 sacks, but those aren't the only reasons the 31-year-old defensive end seems to be wearing a perpetual smile on his face these days.

"There's more to being a professional athlete than winning. We all get paid a lot of money and we all are in the spotlight; but there's more to it than that, too," Pryce said. "It's how do you interact with your teammates, how do you and the coaches get along, just what is the most important thing? I think I've figured that out this season."



PRESTON KERES/TWP

Baltimore defensive lineman Trevor Pryce leads the Ravens with 13 sacks this season and has helped provide Super Bowl experience to a young but talented line.

Pryce has embraced his role as a veteran leader on the defensive line and in the locker room. When he signed a $25 million, five-year contract after being released by Denver last offseason, Pryce did more than simply replace departed end Tony Weaver; he provided the Ravens with the experience that comes with winning two Super Bowls.

"I would say besides Jason Taylor and Julius Peppers, there's not a defensive lineman in the league that's playing as well as Trevor right now," DE Terrell Suggs said. "He's definitely done some things to help us win games. He's been a total good guy." DAVID GINSBURG (AP)

Change in Direction

➜ A year after he was nearly fired, Brian Billick is a few wins away from winning another Super Bowl. How? He realized that he needed to make some changes. | **Today, Sports**

IN The Washington Post

Tagliabue and Thomas Among 17 Hall Finalists

NFL | Recently retired NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue and former Buffalo Bills star running back Thurman Thomas are among 17 finalists for the Pro Football Hall of Fame's class of 2007.



Thomas

Also making the cut is Bruce Matthews, one of the game's most venerable blockers, who played every position on the offensive line.

Matthews is in his first year of eligibility, while Thomas is in his second year, as is former Dallas receiver Michael Irvin.

The other 11 modern-era finalists are DEs Fred Dean and Richard Dent; guards Russ Grimm and Bob Kuechenberg; punter Ray Guy; WRs Art Monk and Andre Reed; linebackers Derrick Thomas and Andre Tippett; CB Roger Wehrli; and tackle Gary Zimmerman. (AP)

WR Jarrett Will Leave USC for NFL

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | Dwayne Jarrett, the leading receiver in school history, announced Wednesday he will skip his senior season at USC to enter the NFL draft.

Jarrett, a 6-foot-5, 215-pounder from New Brunswick, N.J., ends his college career with 216 catches for 3,138 yards and a Pac 10-record 41 touchdowns in 38 games.

He capped his impressive three years at USC by making 11 receptions for 205 yards and two TDs in a 32-18 victory over Michigan in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1.



HARRY HOW/GETTY IMAGES

Dwayne Jarrett scores one of his two TDs during USC's Rose Bowl win.

He likely will be the only USC underclassman to leave school early for the NFL. KEN PETERS (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

CAPITALS (7:30 P.M. ON COMCAST) The Caps start a week-long road trip by heading south to Tampa Bay to play the Lightning.

NBA (8:15 P.M. AND 10:30 P.M. ON TNT) The Bulls, who are coming off a game against the Wizards last night, host the Nets in the first game of the doubleheader. Then, Cleveland travels to Phoenix to play the Suns.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7 P.M. AND 9 P.M. ON ESPN) St. John's plays at Seton Hall and Houston hosts Memphis in a college hoops doubleheader.

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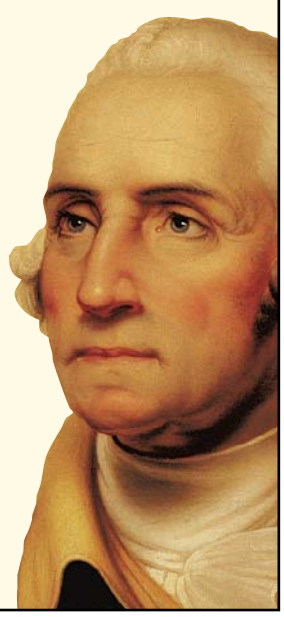
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Threat at End of the Line

DE Freeney looms as a major challenge for Ogden and the Ravens



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END AROUND: Dwight Freeney, left, chases Bengals QB Carson Palmer in a game in Indianapolis in December. Freeney has had a down year with just 5 1/2 sacks.

NFL | Dwight Freeney relishes the opportunity to spin away from NFL tackles and track down elusive quarterbacks.

This week's test comes against two of the NFL's best: Jonathan Ogden and Steve McNair.

"It's about the guy who goes out there and has that 'A' game on," Freeney said. "It just brings out the best in me."

The showdown between last season's sacks champion and the perennial Pro Bowl left tackle Ogden could prove more than an intriguing subplot. It could dictate who advances from Saturday's divisional-round playoff game at Baltimore.

But statistically, this hasn't been one of Freeney's better seasons.

After menacing opponents for four seasons with nifty spin moves, unparalleled quickness and an uncanny knack for forcing fumbles, Freeney finished with a career-low 5 ½ sacks and missed the Pro Bowl for the first time since his rookie season.

But when it mattered most, in last week's playoff game, Freeney reverted to his old form. He had three tackles, two sacks, two more hits on Kansas City quarterback Trent Green and forced a fumble in a 23-8 victory that helped the AFC South champs advance to the second-round game.

Ogden is one of the few who has had some success against Freeney.

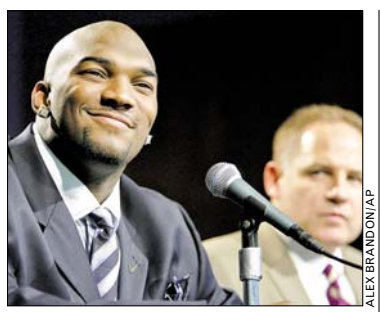
When healthy, Ogden is regarded as one of the league's top blockers. Next month, he'll make his 10th consecutive Pro Bowl appearance, and he's long been the anchor for Baltimore's traditionally strong ground game.

"I'm not going to lie to you, I'm just happy the game is here," Ogden said. "I mean, I don't think any offensive tackle would want to go to Indy and play him or [Robert] Mathis there on their turf with that noise. But at home, I think it is to my advantage." MICHAEL MAROT (AP)

Time to shine: The U.S. Army National Combine in Texas is a chance for high school stars to turn some heads. The hard part is standing out. | **Today's Post, Sports**

Russell Makes Jump to NFL Official

LSU's quarterback announces decision after much speculation



ALEX BRANDON/AP

JaMarcus Russell smiles at his news conference while his coach looks on.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | LSU quarterback JaMarcus Russell said Wednesday he'll skip his senior season and enter the NFL draft.

"It kind of hit me toward the end of the season that I was going to make that jump," Russell said at a news conference.

After a standout performance in the Sugar Bowl last week, the 6-foot-6 Russell had been expected to declare early for the draft.

Russell, a native of Mobile, Ala., threw for 6,525 yards and 52 touchdowns in three seasons with LSU, two as a full-time starter. He threw for 332 yards and two TDs in the Sugar Bowl to help the Tigers (11-2) beat Notre Dame 41-14.

Had he stayed, Russell would have been considered a strong Heisman Trophy contender. He also would have been under the oversight of a new offensive coordinator after Jimbo Fisher accepted Florida State's coordinator job.

"We gave him every bit of information that might allow him to choose — either go or stay," coach Les Miles said. MELINDA DESLATTE (AP)

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CRUSHING TIGER: A study of all of Tiger Woods' pro rounds found that Padraig Harrington was the only player to have been in the same group with Woods at least five times and outscore him.

Sports

Barbaro Suffers Setback

Surgeon removes piece of damaged tissue from Derby winner's hoof



JEFF HAYNES/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Barbaro amazed everyone when he took the Kentucky Derby title last summer.

HORSE RACING | Doctors were "pulling out all the stops" to save Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro, who suffered a significant setback in his recovery from laminitis after months of upbeat reports.

Chief surgeon Dean Richardson removed damaged tissue from Barbaro's left hind hoof, and co-owner Gretchen Jackson said Wednesday the colt was lightly sedated and back in a protective sling in his ICU stall at the University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center.

"They're taking extreme measures," Jackson said. "They're treating it very aggressively. They're really pulling out all the stops to help him."

Jackson said she brought Barbaro grass on Wednesday morning and said the colt's appearance was "not as bright." But she added her husband, Roy, visited Barbaro later in the day and Barbaro's appearance had visibly improved.

Barbaro was being treated aggressively for his discomfort and is in stable condition, according to a statement released Wednesday morning by the Center. The tissue was removed Tuesday night.

"Things were marching along pretty smoothly until this," Jackson said. "We've been there before with him. He's a horse that wants to live." DAN GELSTON (AP)

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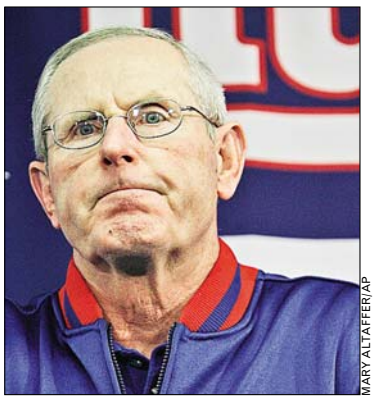
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Sports



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Tom Coughlin will stay on as the N.Y. Giants' coach for at least one more year.

Giants To Keep Coughlin

Coach made 2 straight playoffs but was often criticized by players

NFL | An embattled Tom Coughlin was given another year to coach the New York Giants on Wednesday after he convinced owners he can make Eli Manning a better quarterback and the team a winner.

"He has a vision and he understands how that vision can now move forward," co-owner Jonathan Tisch said during a conference call to announce Coughlin's one-year contract extension. "He did not have to save his job. He did not have to talk us into anything."

Coughlin, 60, seemingly was on the hot seat after weathering a disappointing 8-8 regular season, fan and player unrest and a second straight first-round loss in the playoffs on Sunday.

In the two days that followed, Tisch and fellow co-owner John Mara talked football and coaching philosophy with Coughlin, who had a year left on the deal he signed in 2004.

The owners didn't ask Coughlin to make any changes and they said they were satisfied he was the right man to lead the Giants.

"Tom Coughlin is our coach for 2007 and, hopefully, for many years after that," Mara said. "That is the final decision." TOM CANAVAN (AP)

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Television



O'COLBERT FACTOR: "The Colbert Report" will meet its maker when Fox News' Bill O'Reilly appears on the show Jan. 18. Stephen Colbert, who plays an O'Reilly-like blowhard, will return the favor and appear on his inspiration's program earlier in the evening.

It's All About Style

'Betty' and 'Police' on fashion: The good, the bad and the ugly

SUPERFLY | Betty discovers something suspicious about Sofia (Salma Hayek) just as Daniel seems to be on the verge of proposing on "Ugly Betty" (8 p.m., ABC). Meanwhile, the staff wonders about Wilhelmina's charm offensive.

"Betty" fans and other viewers obsessed with the beauty business can transition smoothly to "Fashion Police" (9 p.m., Style), the half-hour digest of fashion highs, lows and street chic. Hosts Bobbie Thomas and Robert Verdi offer a mix of interviews with famous designers as well as amusing chats with people on the street about their clothes and accessories.



STYLE NETWORK

UNDER ARREST: Robert Verdi and Bobbie Thomas are the "Fashion Police."

In one case, Verdi seems stunned by a passerby who sports a vintage leather coat that evokes the era of "Superfly." Then its owner astounds Verdi with the fact that he picked it up in a small-town thrift store for $3.

But no Style network show would be complete without some celebrity endorsements. Folks from Queen Latifah to Vivica A. Fox cite their favorite name-brand designers, but Matthew Perry and Mariska Hargitay reveal style secrets that cost less than $20.

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ON TV TONIGHT

PHOENIX FALLING

The obsession with celebrity addiction, recovery and non-recovery has become a minor niche in basic-cable programming. Tonight's **THE FINAL 24** (10 p.m., Biography) takes a moment-by-moment look at the final hours of promising actor River Phoenix on Oct. 31, 1993, the day of his fatal overdose.

INFAMOUS COPS

Deputized has-beens ride shotgun with the Muncie, Ind., police department on the reality series **ARMED & FAMOUS** (8 p.m., CBS).

CONFLICTING MEMORIES

Rashomon hits Camden County as Randy, Joy and Earl take turns narrating a buried-treasure story on **MY NAME IS EARL** (8 p.m., NBC).



NBC

RASHOMON EFFECT: Joy realizes their stories "ain't all the same" on "Earl."

BE MY FRIEND, PLEASE!

Michael puts the office on the buddy system on **THE OFFICE** (8:30 p.m., NBC).

SCALPEL TIME

George's father goes under the knife on **GREY'S ANATOMY** (9 p.m., ABC).

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	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live (N) CC			The Black Carpet	Young Jeezy	Nas ... the N	The Wire "The Detail" CC			Comicview CC	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx
	Bravo	(5:30) Top Chef	Top Chef "Seven" CC		Top Chef "Unhappy Customers"	★★★ "Selena" (1997) Jennifer Lopez. Mexican-American singer skyrockets to fame. CC						Grease: You're the One That I Want	
	Comedy	(5:00) ★★ "Martin & Orloff" (2002)		Scrubs CC	Scrubs CC	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Mind of Mencia	South Park CC	Chappelle's Show	Chappelle's Show	Daily Show	Colbert Report
	Court	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Cops CC	Cops CC	Hot Pursuit (N)	Hot Pursuit (N)	Under Fire	Under Fire	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Psychic Detect	Hollywood Heat
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	Disney	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven	★★★ "Holes" (2003, Adventure) Sigourney Weaver, Jon Voight. CC				(:10) ★★★ "Holes" (2003) Sigourney Weaver, Jon Voight. CC			
	E!	Dr. 90210		E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	★★★ "Go" (1999, Comedy-Drama) Desmond Askew, Taye Diggs.				Girl Next Door	Love Ride	E! News	The Daily 10
	FX	King of the Hill	King of the Hill	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	★ "Sorority Boys" (2002, Comedy) Barry Watson, Michael Rosenbaum.				★ "Sorority Boys" (2002, Comedy) Barry Watson, Michael Rosenbaum.			
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	Lifetime	Reba CC	Reba CC	Still Standing	Still Standing	Reba CC	Reba CC	"The Rival" (2006, Suspense) Tracy Nelson, Heather Tom, Linden Ashby. CC				Will & Grace	Will & Grace
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	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1 "Chain Reaction"		★★ "Dark Breed" (1996, Science Fiction) Jack Scalia, Lance LeGault. CC				★★ "Interceptor Force II" (2002) Olivier Gruner, Nigel Bennett. CC				★ "Fortress 2: Re-Entry" (1999) CC	
	SPIKE	Star Trek: Voyager "Learning Curve"		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		TNA iMPACT! (N) CC		UFC Unleashed		Afro Samurai (N)	Afro Samurai
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	TLC	Property Ladder CC		Overhaulin' "Episode 18" CC		American Hot Rod "'36 Roadster 3"		American Chopper		American Chopper		American Chopper	
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	USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent CC		Law & Order: Criminal Intent CC		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Nashville Star (Season Premiere) (N)		(:15) Law & Order: Criminal Intent	
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SPORTS	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) CC		College Basketball St. John's at Seton Hall. (Live) CC				College Basketball Memphis at Houston. (Live) CC				SportsCenter (Live) CC	
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	MSNBC	Tucker		Hardball CC		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		Scarborough Country		MSNBC Special		Crime & Punishment CC	
MOVIES	AMC	(5:30) ★★ "The Beach" (2000, Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio. 'R' CC				★★★ "Papillon" (1973, Suspense) Steve McQueen. Safecracker and counterfeiter try Devil's Island escape. 'PG'						★★★ "Escape From Alcatraz" 'PG'	
	TCM	★★ "Meet Me on Broadway" (1946) Marjorie Reynolds.		Festival of Shorts		★★ "Going Places" (1939, Comedy) Dick Powell. 'NR'			★★ "Garden of the Moon" (1938, Musical) Pat O'Brien, John Payne. 'NR'			Cowboy-Brklyn	
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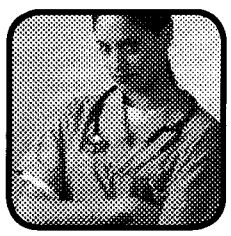
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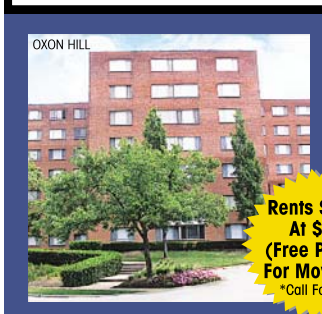
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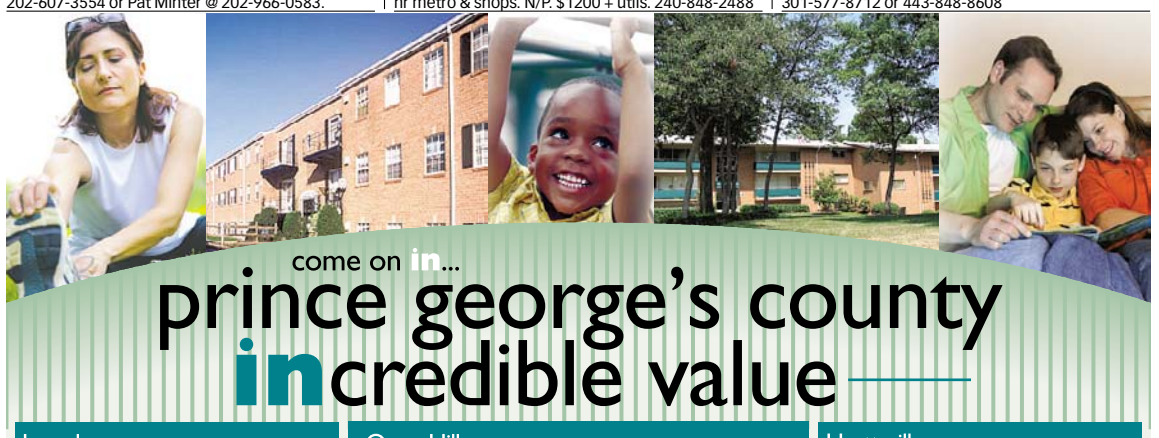
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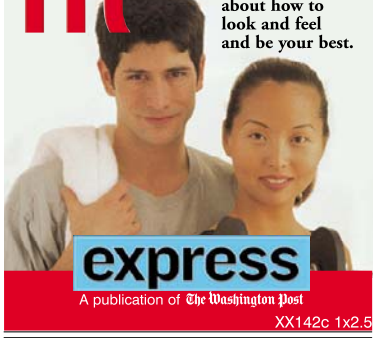
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Fresh or Frozen?

Taste Test

The price isn't close, but can diners tell the difference with tuna?

Rick Lofstad sliced an inch-thick steak off a hunk of tuna, red as beets, and offered up the fish's pedigree: a 40-pounder caught off Montauk, football-sized without the tail and fins.

Lofstad sells his tuna from a stand at the Union Square Greenmarket for $12.95 a pound. Across the street at Trader Joe's, frozen yellowfin tuna steaks, imported from Singapore, go for $4.69 a pound.

Much as the current foodie mantra exhorts buying local, seasonal and fresh, in this case that comes with a steep premium. Is fresh tuna worth it? Can the average diner really tell the difference?

"In a flash," said Lofstad, a third-generation fisherman who sells at markets around the city. But then he backtracked, saying that if the fish was frozen at sea at well below zero "it would be very difficult to tell the difference."

That's because fish freezing methods have improved so much in recent years that there is little difference between the fresh and frozen products, said Doris Hicks, seafood technology specialist at the University of Delaware Sea Grant.

"In some cases, it can be better than fresh," she said. "As long as it's been done properly and kept frozen, it can be just as good as fresh or better."

Fish today is frozen faster and at lower temperatures than before, Hicks said. That's important because those conditions result in smaller ice crystals. Large crystals disrupt the flesh of the fish, affecting taste and texture.



BEBETO MATTHEWS/AP

Rick Lofstad, right, who operates the fishing boat "Para Vida" out of Hampton Bays, N.Y., sells fresh tuna . Frozen tuna can taste almost as good, some say.

To test the difference between the fresh and frozen, I seared two tuna steaks — one of Lofstad's fresh and a Trader Joe's frozen — in a cast-iron grill pan and served them with freshly made pesto.

The fresh fish was sushi grade, which means it was good enough to be eaten raw. The cooking was brief, just enough to sear the outside and keep the center red. The result? It was so tender it practically melted in the mouth.

The frozen tuna, prepared the same way, had a coarser texture, and both color and flavor were less intense. Of course, the differences could be partly due to variations in the fish themselves.

"When I bit into the fresh, it was definitely more tender," my guest commented. "But the frozen was better than I thought it was going to be. For everyday, I think it's fine."

Corky Clark, a professor at the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y., disagrees, at least for his own palate. He won't touch frozen. "I wouldn't use frozen tuna if my life depended on it," he said.

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> **CORKY CLARK**, CULINARY INSTITUTE OF AMERICA PROFESSOR

But he acknowledged that availability and cost put fresh tuna out of reach for many people. When that's the case, he offered some advice for when to use fresh and how to make the most out of frozen.

For dishes with mild seasonings, delicate cooking techniques or for use in salads (not the mayo kind), Clark said it's best to stick with fresh. In those recipes, the tuna is the star, and the flavor and texture of frozen doesn't work as well.

Instead, for frozen tuna, stick with heavy marinades, or other heavily seasoned preparations in which the taste of the tuna isn't as prominent. Sushi, which is typically eaten with flavor-obscuring soy sauce and wasabi, is another good choice. KAREN MATTHEWS (AP)

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Soda to Coffee Wars

Caffeine

Coke and Pepsi do battle for customers on yet another front

Even in the caffeine-soaked city of Seattle, there are times Tommy Key cannot make it to a Starbucks for his favorite pick-me-up.

On those grim mornings, Key's preferred stand-in is Starbucks' bottled Frappuccino, a cold milk-and-coffee concoction that he grabs on his way out the door.

"It's a quick fix, is what it is," Key, 43, said as he loaded a 12-pack into his cart at a local Costco warehouse. "This will last me a good month or two."

Hurried coffee lovers like Key will have more choices for that quick fix in the coming year, as Starbucks Corp. and others angle for the growing slice of consumers who get their java from the grocery store or vending machine.

Beverage titan Coca-Cola Co. plans to push further into the ready-to-drink coffee market this summer, introducing a new iced drink under the banner of the country's No. 2 coffeehouse chain, Caribou Coffee Co.

> "Companies like Coke and others will continue to try to crack the secret to the ready-to-drink coffee market."
>
> **GARY HEMPHILL**, BEVERAGE MARKETING

Coke also hopes to move another drink, the coffee-and-chocolate flavored Godiva Belgian Blends, into national distribution.

Starbucks, whose Frappuccinos and other packaged drinks dominate the market through a partnership with PepsiCo, is high on the future of its newest iced coffee offering.

The companies also are preparing to roll out a long-sought hot vending machine, which will dispense 9-ounce cans of Starbucks coffee in recyclable steel cans with insulated labels.



JOE NICHOLSON/AP

Tommy Key stocks up on bottled Frappuccino drinks at a Costco warehouse.

The flurry of activity might not exactly recall the cola wars of years gone by. But Coke's aggressiveness shows how important coffee-laced drinks have become, along with other beverages that deviate from the traditional soda recipes.

"Any of the major beverage companies, and smaller companies as well, are aware of the consumer trends for healthier products, more variety," said Gary Hemphill, managing director of Beverage Marketing Corp.

While carbonated soft drinks still tower over the beverage market, with a 2005 retail value of $68 billion, sales are declining for the first time in decades, Hemphill said.

Alternatives have been picking up the slack. Energy drinks and bottled water are particular leaders, but ready-to-drink teas and coffees are also players.

The packaged coffee market alone is worth just under $1 billion in the U.S. and has seen several years of double-digit growth that analysts and executives expect to continue.

Officials also point to Japan, where Coke's Georgia Coffee brand dominates a market 12 times larger than in the U.S., said Gerry Lopez, Starbucks' senior vice president of global consumer products.

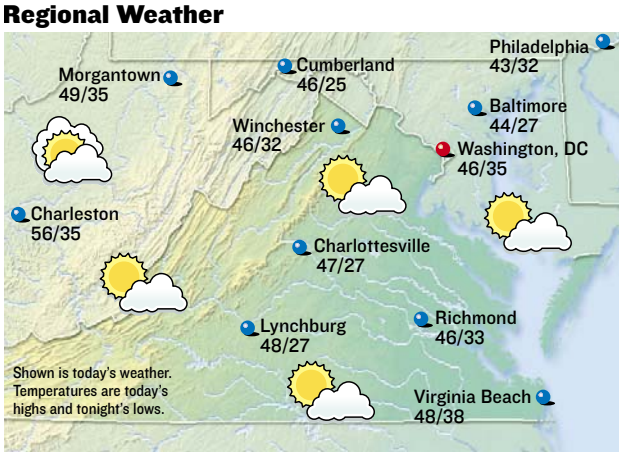
"The American consumer has become more like the Japanese consumer in that they want to try new things. They like experimenting," said John Sicher, editor and publisher of Beverage Digest.

"Companies like Coke and others will continue to try to crack the secret to the ready-to-drink coffee market," Hemphill said. "A lot of companies have tried over a number of years now, with mostly limited success." CURT WOODWARD (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Mostly sunny	Partly cloudy	Partly sunny, milder	Mostly cloudy, shower possible	Mostly cloudy, mild	Mostly cloudy, rain possible, windy
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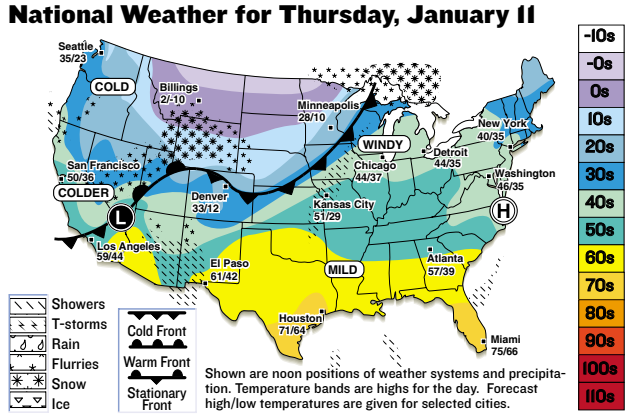
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Moonrise today	12:17 a.m.
Moonset today	11:26 a.m.

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National Weather for Thursday, January 11



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City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	57/39/pc	62/48/pc
Boston	36/32/s	50/38/pc
Chicago	44/37/c	44/26/r
Dallas	68/62/c	67/53/t
Denver	33/12/sn	20/6/sn
Honolulu	79/69/sh	81/69/pc
Los Angeles	59/44/r	55/38/pc
Miami	75/66/pc	77/67/pc
New York City	40/35/s	53/43/pc
Orlando	71/55/pc	79/58/pc
Seattle	35/23/pc	32/22/pc

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	50/46/r	50/48/sh
Athens	60/46/pc	61/46/s
Berlin	44/40/r	45/41/sh
Buenos Aires	79/70/t	88/72/pc
Calgary	-2/-9/s	17/3/pc
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SHIHO FUKADA/AP

Designer Derek Lam, here in his New York studio, has moved from up-and-comer to mover and shaker in the fashion world with his wearable designs.



FASHION WIRE DAILY

A look from Lam's spring 2007 line shows the wearability of his designs.

On the Lam

Designer makes all the right moves to take career to the top

Fashion designer Derek Lam can shed his "up-and-comer" label.

He starts the year with a new deal as Tod's creative director and a collection from his signature line that was almost universally praised when it was previewed for editors, retailers and stylists.

There were loose dresses, though they weren't the tent style spotted on some other runways, and there were lovely daytime coats, including a collarless trench and one in khaki-colored suede with an empire waist and asymmetrical line.

Michael Fink, fashion director at Saks Fifth Avenue, says he's been a fan of Lam's since he first saw his clothes on the runway four years ago. "I remember going to his first show and everyone was smiling and saying, 'He gets it,'" Fink said.

"For spring '07, I took a more serious look at America and the idea of the American designer, which I am. We're known now for imperialism, being cowboys, going it alone, but that's never how we were in fashion. We're humble and pragmatic — that's very American," Lam said.

He found himself inspired by the classic sportswear of Claire McCardell, Geoffrey Beene and Bonnie Cashin. Working with simple cottons with patchwork or mattress-ticking stripes, Lam says so many of his peers overlook the basics in favor of something flashier — something that will be worn on the red carpet.

"American fashion is not just eveningwear. I wanted to see people dressed up in the day, like in the '40s and '50s, but with a sense of humor and irony. It's not for the red carpet but for a barbecue."

Growing up in San Francisco, Lam liked visiting his grandparents' factory, which produced wedding gowns. "I feel at home surrounded by seamstresses," he said.

But for all that folksy talk, don't mistake Lam as a designer for the everywoman. The pieces of his that are available on Neiman Marcus' Web site at the moment hover in the $1,000 range, so even if they have that touch of utilitarianism, they're really not garments for the masses.

And he knows his well-heeled customers well. He has made it a mission to spend time in all the stores that sell his clothes, from New York to Tokyo. The pendulum is swinging away from the conglomerate mentality that has ruled retail for the past few years and back toward something more personal, he explains.

Eventually, he says, he'll produce things that are sold at a "more accessible" price, but he wants to make sure they're just not watered-down versions of the items he's already selling. Yes, he's done the requisite luxury-company expansions into sunglasses and shoes and handbags — his with Tod's emblem — but in the future, you might find his name on unexpected things.

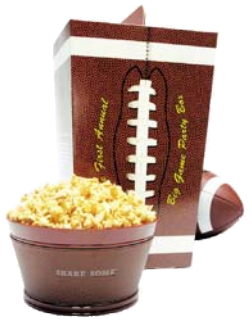
Fashion, in fact, is Lam's fallback career. He originally wanted to be a writer, which is why, he explains, he approaches design by asking big-picture questions that he hopes his clothes will answer. "I want to know why people are the way they are and why, in fashion, they make the choices that they do."

He added with a laugh: "I was one of those awful kids who always asked why. I don't mind when kids ask me 'Why?' now."

SAMANTHA CRITCHELL (AP)

Designing People

Food



Food. Football. Life.

Sure, college football is over, but that just means you can now concentrate all your energy on the pros. **DALE AND THOMAS POPCORN** has introduced a new popcorn set ($38, daleandthomas.com), complete with a dishwasher-safe faux-pigskin bowl (classy!), a football-themed carrier and eight bags of different popcorns. The flavors include Chocolate Chunk N' Caramel, Southwest Cheddar Chipotle, Sweet Georgia Pecan and Sweet and Spicy Barbecue, because real fans don't eat something as boring as just butter.

KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

Beauty



Yee-Haw! Makeup!

The new limited-edition **DALLAS PALETTE** from Benefit ($28, benefitcosmetics.com) combines everything girls like. Horses! Pink! Makeup! The mirrored, pocket-sized set comes with two eye colors, two lip colors and the brand's best-selling Dallas powder, a sheer, rose-colored blush. Also included are a dual lip-and-eye shadow brush and a nice, wide blush brush. We especially love this assortment because, unlike many of the company's others, it actually works on darker complexions. Mount up for makeup! K.P.K.

Lookout Online

from readexpress.com

Mouthwash in the Morning?

COMMENTS | How well do you know your commuter neighbors? Well enough to smell their bad breath? One commenter named Fed Up has a simple request.

"It never ceases to amaze me how many people come on the trains in the morning without having brushed their teeth. If I can smell your breath through your nose, you need to check your hygiene. Seriously, some of you "adults" need to do better. These are basic skills that should have been learned from when one was a toddler. Please be considerate and at the very least wash your face and brush your teeth before making public appearances. Metro is PUBLIC transportation, and some of us do not wish to smell your morning breath."

Do you think bad breath during the morning commute is an important problem facing Metro? Send your thoughts to COMMENTS@READEXPRESS.COM.

MICHAEL GRASS (EXPRESS)

Apathy in Ward 3

VOTING RIGHTS | With D.C. voting rights legislation moving its way through Capitol Hill, the District is inching closer to securing a full vote in the House of Representatives. But if you live in Ward 3 — the area of the District north of Georgetown and west of Rock Creek Park, where the city's most affluent residents are concentrated — does it really matter? During Tuesday's WASHINGTONPOST.COM Live Online chat with WTOP political commentator Mark Plotkin, the ardent voting rights advocate, said residents of Upper Northwest don't share the voting rights fervor present in other parts of the city. Says Plotkin: "Ward 3, more than anything, just wants good city services. I just wish they cared more about this issue. It doesn't seem to bother them, that we are second-class citizens." M.G.



GERALD MARTINEAU/TWP

CLOSE QUARTERS: Is bad breath a pressing problem during the daily commute?

→ Coming Up Today

If you're planning to use Metrorail over the Martin Luther King Jr. weekend, there are some big service changes, including the Blue Line running to Mount Vernon Square and the Yellow Line to Greenbelt.

Poll Center

TODAY'S QUESTION

Do you support raising the federal minimum wage?

1. Yes
2. No

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Will Apple's new iPhone transform telecommunications?

YES	NO
51%	49%

As of 4 p.m. Wednesday. Not a scientific poll

GIVE YOUR OPINION ON TODAY'S POLL QUESTION AND GET A STATION-BY-STATION BREAKDOWN OF HOW YOUR FELLOW METRORAIL COMMUTERS VOTED AT READEXPRESS.COM/POLLCENTER.PHP

THE Blog LOG

"Be it a result of aging, watching too many VH1 video clip shows or [an] ... upswing in alcohol intake ... , I am afraid that I am getting dumber. "

HIPSTERDORK.BLOGSPOT.COM OBSERVES THAT OVER TIME, ONE'S ABILITY TO DO WELL PLAYING "JEOPARDY!" CAN DECLINE.

A Duty for Everyone

"It should be obligatory for those of us safe at home to study the images of these soldiers and their too-brief histories before listening to the president ... because it is too easy to forget that every day in Iraq, each day of delay, costs us something irretrievable."

WAVEFLUX.NET SUGGESTS VISITING THE WASHINGTON POST'S PORTRAITS OF THE FALLEN TROOPS, WHICH CAN BE SEEN AT PROJECTS.WASHINGTONPOST.COM/FALLEN.

Avoid the Crowds

"I told my wife we should participate n Restaurant Week ... by offering prix fixe menus and setting up folding tables in our living room."

APORTABLESNACK.BLOGSPOT.COM HAS AN ALTERNATIVE TO D.C.'S RESTAURANT WEEK.



AP

Workout Eyesores

"The other thing that I shall whine about is women who are long past the bloom of youth who choose to wear sports bras and bike shorts to the gym. Look, ladies, your bodies aren't horrible, but I don't want to have to watch you flaunt what's left around while I'm trying to work off the cookies from this holiday season."

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Sweet Scarlett: A Home-Wrecker?

"You hear that? 'They definitely got together' and now they're officially dating. ... So, there you have it — Scarlett Jo has finally graduated from being Woody Allen's private muse to becoming a full-on celebrity home-wrecker."

JOSSIP.COM REACTS TO A REPORT IN US WEEKLY THAT SAYS SCARLETT JOHANSSON IS NOW SEEING JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE, WHO IS SAID TO HAVE BROKEN UP WITH CAMERON DIAZ.

DON'T

FORGET YOUR WORMS! If so, you'll miss out on half of the "Perms and Worms" service. No, we don't understand it, either. Or most of the other things at Funnysign.com, which is, duh, just a bunch of funny signs. But, hey, they're better than unfunny signs.

Live Online

Personal Tech

The Post's **ROB PEGORARO** was online at washingtonpost.com from Las Vegas on Wednesday to discuss this year's Consumer Electronics Show and Apple's new iPhone.

What do you think of the mobile TV system that Verizon Wireless announced? It sounds very cool.

I got a quick demo of this in the press room Monday, and it does look neat. Verizon will be selling a pair of LG phones that come with their own TV antennas — you're not just watching TV streamed over Verizon's network, but broadcasts sent over the regular airwaves (but not actual TV, as VzW sends out a separate, proprietary signal that includes such non-broadcast channels as ESPN).

What was the biggest surprise at the CES?

The combination HD DVD/Blu-Ray drive LG unveiled. Not that it exists; nobody's ever said it would be an impossible thing to build. But the surprise is that it's supposed to ship next month. Pricing is another matter, though. The cheapest Blu-Ray player, outside of the heavily subsidized and still-unobtainable PS3, goes for $799, while the cheapest HD DVD player has a list price of $499.

Will prices on the 2006 models of electronics such as plasma TVs fall in March/April when the Japanese fiscal year ends?

Can't give you an exact no, but I can all but promise that they will fall. After talking to a few execs at major manufacturers, it looks like you'll probably see the biggest price drops in the 40- to 46-inch range, where a lot of new capacity is coming online.

What kind of data costs/usage restrictions will Cingular put on the Apple Phone? And, seriously, $600?

Yeah, $600 seems like a lot, especially if the iPhone comes locked so you can't pop in another GSM carrier's SIM card when you travel. But I've been looking at TVs that sell for $3,499 and are considered bargains (like a 63-inch plasma from Philips). I can assure you that there's a market for such a thing.

TODAY ON LIVE ONLINE: Post theater critic Peter Marks discusses the six-month Washington Shakespeare Festival at 1 p.m. | **washingtonpost.com/liveonline**

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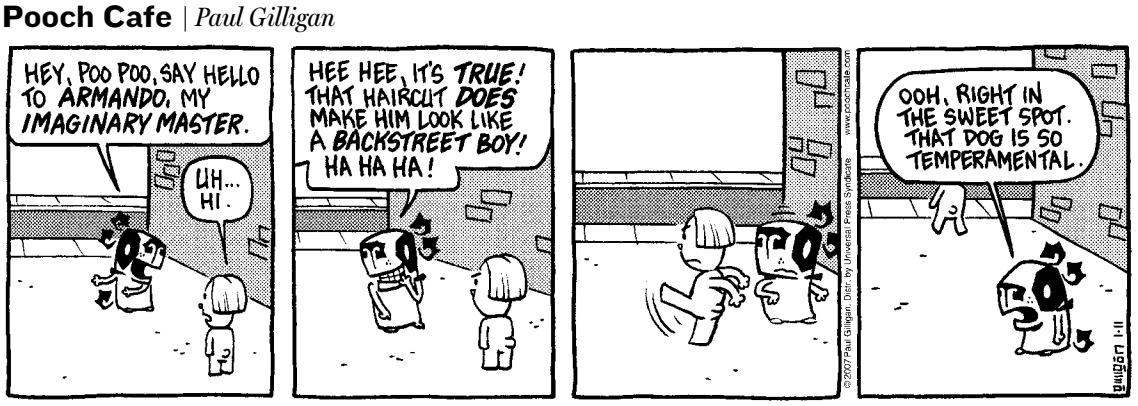
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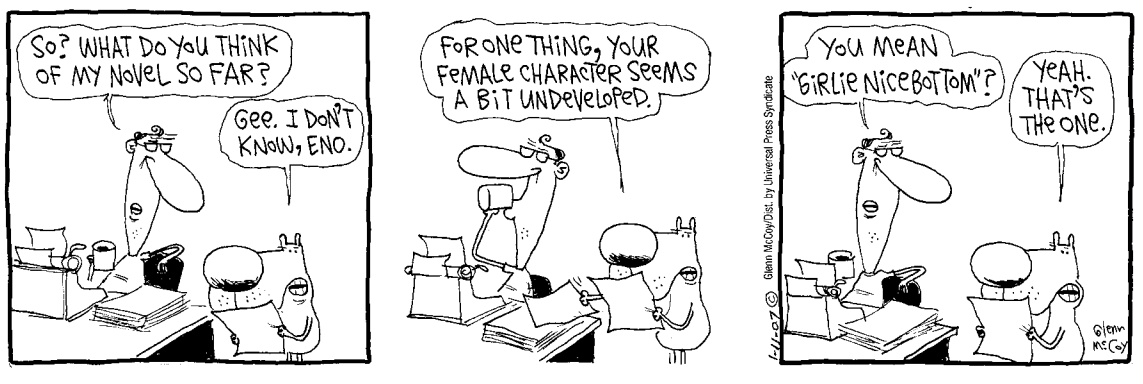
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Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A rivalry can only serve to divide friends. Avoid any such conflict, and vow to work together as teammates. You can achieve much this way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You'll have to think twice about the actions you've planned. Will you really achieve the goals you've set for yourself as a result?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Things may not be what they seem, but you should be able to roll with the punches and maintain your advantage over your competitors.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Things have been rather intense lately, and you're looking forward to taking a more relaxed stance — even at the workplace.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A true story comes to you and inspires you to do more than you had planned. If all goes well, you should have quite a story to tell.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It is important that you strive to personify the ideals of which you speak — and in which you so strongly believe. Do what you teach.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Minor errors can be forgotten — but first they must be reversed as quickly as possible. Don't let any mistakes linger at this time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You can rise above the kinds of problems that crush even the strongest of those around you. Your positive outlook is your strongest tool.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Don't believe everything you hear. Consider your sources, and do what you can to assess reports with as much true insight as possible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) This is a good day for you to rethink your methods. You needn't make any dramatic changes, but you may want to consider a slow evolution.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You're likely to receive the respect you believe you deserve — but only after you prove you're capable of doing more than most.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Tend to your duties in the most straightforward manner possible, and you'll avoid most, if not all, difficulties that may arise.



AP

Aviator Amelia Earhart stands next to a Lockheed Electra 10E before a flight.

Today in History

1807 Ezra Cornell, the founder of Cornell University, is born in Westchester, N.Y.

1913 The first sedan-type automobile, a Hudson, goes on display at the 13th Automobile Show in New York.

1935 Aviator Amelia Earhart begins a trip from Honolulu to Oakland, Calif., that makes her the first woman to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean.

1942 Japan declares war on the Netherlands, the same day that Japanese forces invade the Dutch East Indies.

1943 The U. S. and Britain sign treaties relinquishing extraterritorial rights in China.

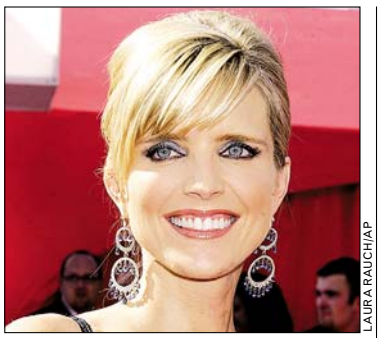
1977 France sets off an uproar by releasing a PLO official behind the massacre of Israeli athletes at the 1972 Munich Olympics.

1995 52 people are killed when a Colombian airliner crashes as it prepares to land near the Caribbean resort of Cartagena; a 9-year-old girl survived.

2002 The Argentine peso floats freely for the first time after 11 years of being tied to the U.S. dollar.

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LOOK out | People



LAURA RAUCH/AP

It was a rare condition: She was blind unless she wore ghastly eye makeup.

FUN FACTS

Possibly the Only TV Star To Ever Marry a Geneticist

COURTNEY THORNE-SMITH, who stars in "According to Jim," married her boyfriend, agent Roger Fishman, on New Year's Day. Thorne-Smith, 39, and Fishman wed "at her home in a small, private ceremony," said publicist Jim Broutman. Thorne-Smith was briefly married to Andrew Conrad, a genetic scientist. (AP)

PSEUDONYMS

G.M.'s Real Surname More Last-Namey Than 'Michael'

GEORGE MICHAEL pleaded innocent Wednesday to charges of being unfit to drive and possessing marijuana. The singer, 43, was arrested Sept. 30 after police responded to complaints that a car was blocking an intersection in north London. Police said Michael was found passed out inside the car. Michael, who was referred to by his birth name, George Panayiotou, wasn't in court. Another hearing was set for March 7. (AP)





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LIKE SHOOTING

Fish in Barrels

Dubbed "style-free and fashion deprived," Britney Spears and **PARIS HILTON** tied for the No. 1 spot on Mr. Blackwell's 47th annual "Worst Dressed" list. No. 2 was British royal Camilla Parker-Bowles; No. 3, Lindsay Lohan. Also singled out: Christina Aguilera, Mariah Carey, Paula Abdul, Sharon Stone, Tori Spelling, Sandra Oh and Meryl Streep. (AP)

TRIVIAL

Clearly, 'History' Is Highly Subjective



Ringo has many childhood homes that need saving!

The childhood home of **RINGO STARR** may be saved from the wrecking ball. Negotiations are under way to dismantle the condemned Liverpool row house and rebuild it as part of a major new museum, officials said Wednesday. The Liverpool City Council approved the demolition of the tiny Victorian house in 2005, despite protests from Beatles fans. The council ruled that the house, where Starr lived for about three months, had no historic significance. National Museums Liverpool said talks were under way to preserve the home as part of the Museum of Liverpool. (AP)

PRECAUTIONS

'Housewife' on Bed Rest



MARCIA CROSS, who is expecting twins in April with her stockbroker-husband, Tom Mahoney, has been put on bed rest, her spokeswoman said Wednesday. "This is a precautionary measure only," said publicist Heidi Slan. She declined to give further details. Producers of "Desperate Housewives" have decided to move production at the end of this week to the actress' Los Angeles home for two days. (AP)

PASSING NOTES

'Meet Me at 4 Behind the Gym So I Can Beat U Up'

Donald Trump called **BARBARA WALTERS** a liar in a letter written to Rosie O'Donnell, in which he also said Walters told him working with O'Donnell is like "living in hell." "That poor, pathetic man," said Walters. "You know, he just can't ... let go, but we're moving on," Walters said. In his letter, Trump said Walters had "lied to both of us." He said she called him from her vacation trying to end the feud and told him "don't worry, she won't be here for long" and "Donald, never get in the mud with pigs." (AP)



Barbara disguised herself as a throw pillow. Donald would never find her!

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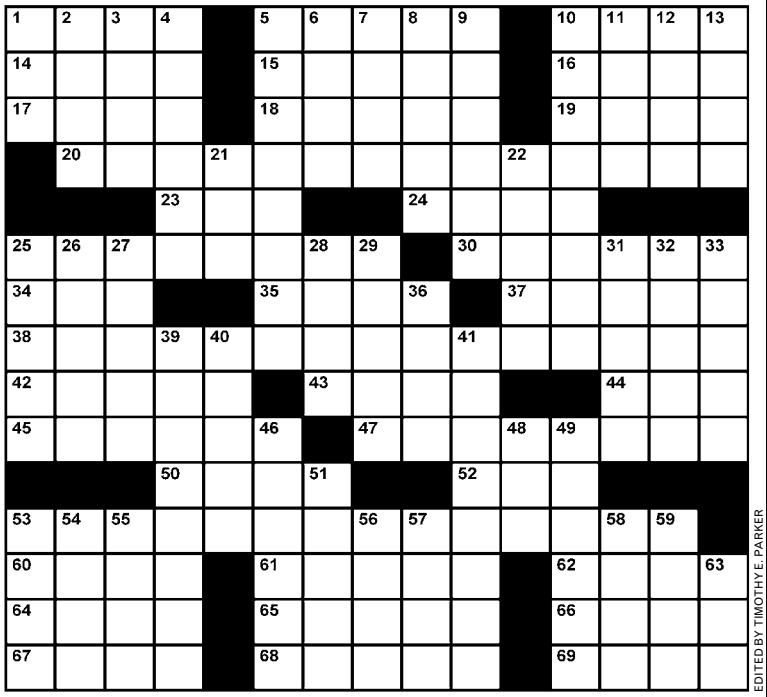
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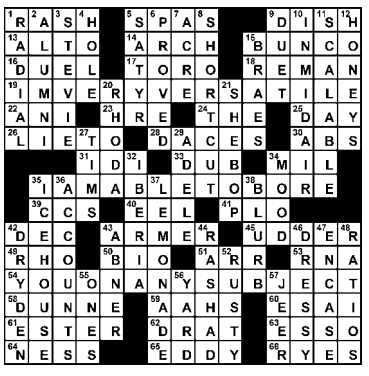


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Yesterday's Solution



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Yesterday's Solution

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NAME: Robert Koenig
GIG: Author of "The Fourth Horseman: One Man's Mission to Wage the Great War in America"

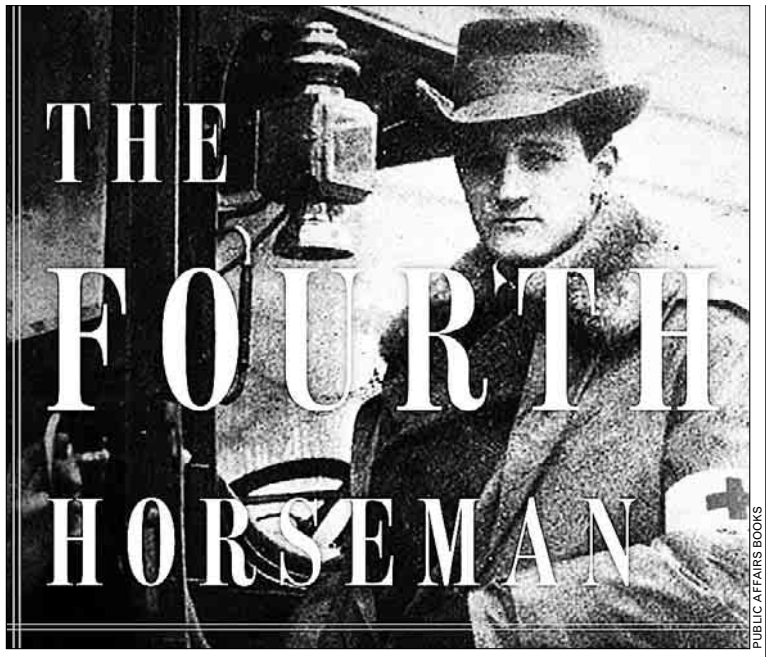
IN THE BASEMENT of an ordinary house in Chevy Chase, Anton Dilger raised a crop of anthrax. No, nobody's fingered the culprit behind the 2001 postal terror attacks. If the official account is to be believed, Dilger died nearly 90 years ago. Born in Virginia but schooled in Germany, where his allegiance came to lie, the young physician returned to the United States in the fall of 1915 to disrupt the flow of materiel to Britain and France during World War I. Robert Koenig, a contributing correspondent for Science magazine, spent years tracking down Dilger.

Dilger's efforts mark him as an unfortunate sort of pioneer.
It was the first time that anthrax was used as a weapon. In the 20th century, it was the first campaign to use germs as a weapon during a war.

You hesitate to use the term "germ warfare," preferring "biological sabotage." Why?
First of all, the target was not humans — it was horses and mules that were being shipped to the Allies.

Anthrax wasn't the only germ Dilger was cooking.
The other one that probably was more effective against the horses was the bacteria that causes a horse disease called glanders. It's called *Burkholderia mallei* these days.

For ages, the precise location of "Tony's Lab" was unknown. How did you track it down?
After going through dozens of boxes full of documents at the National Archives in College Park, I found the likely address at the bottom of a 1916 passport application. Then I went through the old city directories at the main D.C. Public Library to confirm it. Finally, I drove to the house and knocked on the door. Fortunately, the owner is a historian who took a genuine interest in the story and gave me a tour.



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PESTILENCE: Koenig details the local manufacture of deadly germs during WWI.

You point out that it's on 33rd Street Northwest, near the intersection with Livingston Street. Are the present occupants afraid of looky-loos?
If someone came to me and asked to see the house, what I would do is just send him an e-mail and let him decide whether to contact them.

Are any other local landmarks on the tour?
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> "The hub of the saboteurs ... was Baltimore, in a building called the Hansa Haus."

How about drop sites?
There's an old brick train station in Laurel — it's still there — on the main rail line between Washington and Baltimore. They would meet at the Laurel station, and the people from Chevy Chase would give the people from Baltimore the cultures of anthrax. GLENN DIXON

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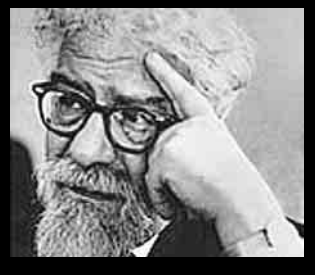
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Staging the Unspeakable

Hot-button pusher Neil Labute tackles interracial marriage

STAGE | Neil Labute is all about speaking the unspeakable. Labute haters (oh, the irony) dismiss the playwright and filmmaker as a gourmand of misanthropy, misogyny and shock. But his works don't exploit so much as illuminate an unfashionable but persuasive concept: the innate depravity of humans.

In Labute's film debut, "In the Company of Men," a pair of loutish men emotionally torment a deaf female co-worker. The film raised the kind of outraged ruckus that once was reserved for Flannery O'Connor—Labute's direct forebear in dramatizing redemptive (or not) violence. It also racked up awards. In "The Shape of Things," a graduate art student chooses to "sculpt" a living man by pretending to fall in love with him. And in "Fat Pig"—which ran at the Studio Theatre last year—a woman's obesity is presented as cultural heresy.



SCOTT SUCHMAN

OK, SO I COVET: Studio Theatre's "This Is How It Goes" depicts love on the rocks.

But in America, the hot buttons don't get hotter than race. Especially when so-called "enlightened" people confront darkness—of skin and of heart. In "This Is How It Goes," which opened Wednesday at Studio, Cody and Belinda Phipps are former school sweethearts now happily married, with kids and a luxurious Midwestern home. It's the American dream—sort of.

When white-bread ex-beauty queen Belinda falls for a former classmate (also palefaced), she's forced to confront the notion that she married Cody because he's "rich, black and different." And then you can bet the unspeakable is just another weapon in the sex war. But with Labute, guilt is never straightforward, and all motives are miscegenated. BOB MASSEY

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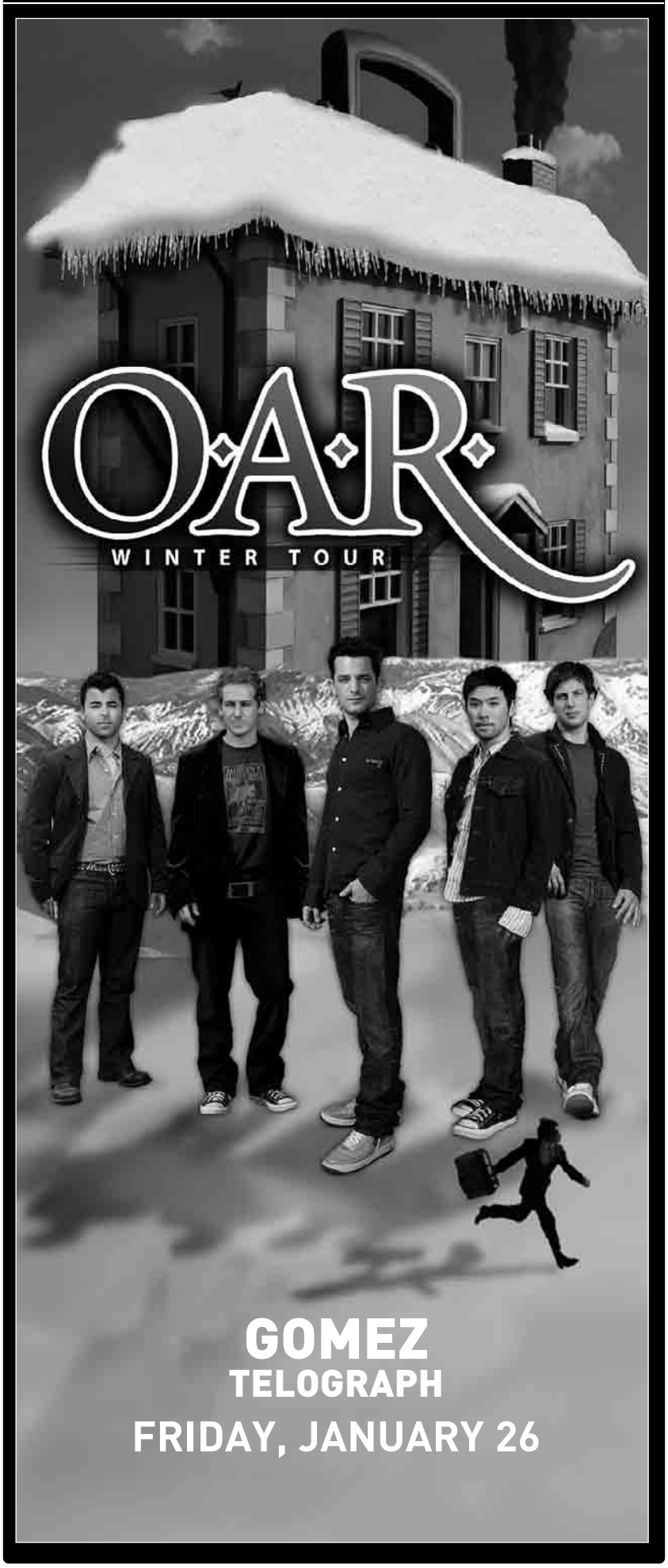
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Family Matters

Trust and tragedy in a compelling 'King Lear'

STAGE | A father and three daughters, or a king and a lot of land to carve up, or an outcast and a fool — "King Lear" is a sort of prism of shifting allegiances, the nature of love and the brokering of power, all related in some of William Shakespeare's most intense and lyrical language. In a co-production with the Folger Theatre, the Classical Theatre of Harlem brings the tragedy roaring to life with vibrance and physicality, using the towering presence of actor Andre de Shields, 61, as the play's emotional and narrative centerpiece. Classical Theatre co-founder Alfred Preisser, who spoke with Express about his production, sets the play in the ancient Middle East to point up its timeliness and sensuality.

You have a number of factors at work. How do you fuse these elements?
Well, I think that when you do one of these plays, you have to recognize that they're always happening in the theater. They're not happening in some archaeological representation of ancient Britain or Mesopotamia. So in an ongoing conversation with the cast ... it was important to us to make the text visible ... telling the story through the actors' bodies and their physical relation to each other.

> "If 'Lear' has a grand political idea, it's being played out in places like Cuba. It's being played out in places like Iraq."
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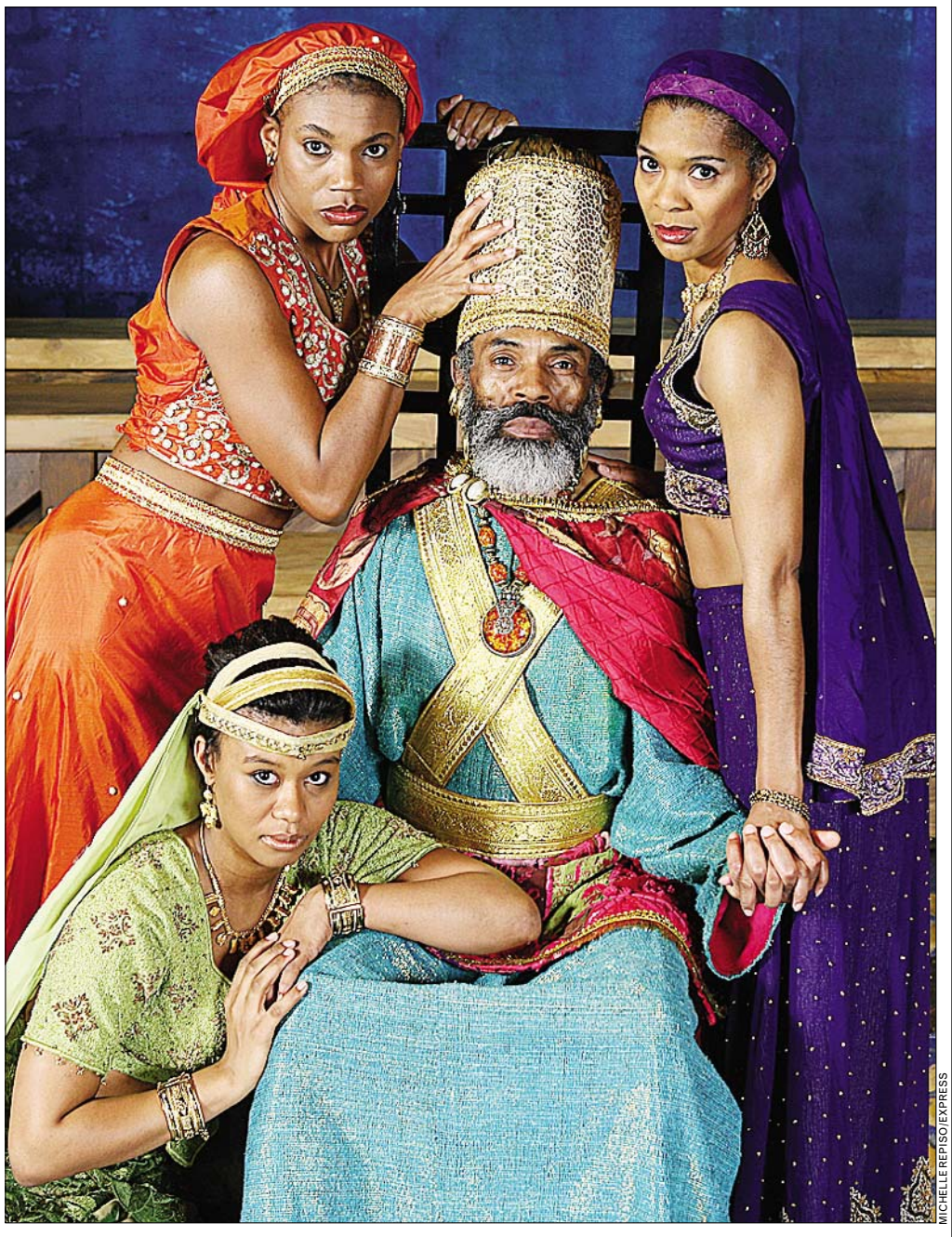
You have to stage fights.
That's a feature of all tragedies — they're melodramatic, they're violent. I think Shakespeare was giving his audience something they enjoyed. His plays were as close to popular entertainment in a world where that included bear-baiting and dog fights and caging the cat and things like that.

In what way is "Lear" a political play?
To me, a figure like Fidel Castro is King Lear. King Lear has been around for a long time; he's unquestionably great. When Castro dies, there will be all these people who have no place in the world. They will become obsolete. So if "Lear" has a grand political idea, it's being played out in places like Cuba. It's being played out in places like Iraq, where [Saddam] Hussein was a Lear-like figure. ... And he had his own storm, when he was in that spider hole, he had everything stripped away — the golden toilet, the concubines, the political power, and he was just a man in the hole in the ground.

How do you see the role of the fool?
The fool could have hidden in Gloucester's home, but he doesn't — he follows Lear out into the storm. But mainly he's attached to Lear. Obviously, in the play and in the idea of the play, the fool, the jester, is the inversion of a king as well. He's the comic photonegative of the king.

It's really as much the daughters' story as Lear's.
It's like a fairy tale: Once upon a time, there was a great king and he had three daughters ... and that's kind of a jumping-off point for a great story — a Grimm's fairy tale about the nature of devotion within a family. ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

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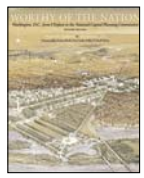
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'Worthy of the Nation'



1 First published in 1977, Lee's "Worthy of the Nation: Washington, D.C., from L'Enfant to the National Capital Planning Commission," traces the District's evolution from a sleepy port to a grand capital. Lee discusses recent additions to her book — now covering the past 30 years as well.

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Well-Grounded Soul

Anthony David takes a hard look at his native Atlanta's soil

MUSIC | Calling it neo-soul or underground R&B, the scene that catapulted artists such as Erykah Badu and Jill Scott to the superstardom is becoming increasingly crowded and interchangeable. Standing out from the crowd is all the more difficult.

With his sometimes humble lyrics, inconspicuous arrangements and guy-next-door looks and charm, Atlanta-based singer-songwriter Anthony David manages to accomplish such a feat.

Next to his very relatable verses, David's trump card is his raspy baritone, which recalls that of '70s R&B legend Bill Withers. Like Withers' gritty soul, David's music exudes a working-class sensibility and an affinity for flickering, guitar-driven folk music.

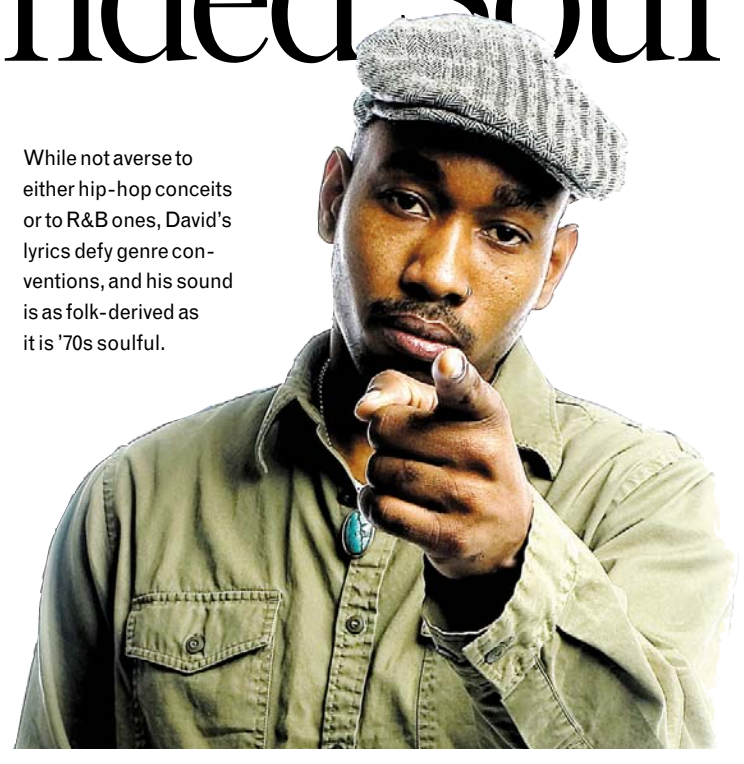
In fact, it's folk that distinguished much of David's critically acclaimed 2004 debut, "3 Chords and the Truth," as it emphasized his enticing guitar strumming as much as his conversational singing delivery and nuanced narratives.

David's sophomore disc, "The Red Clay Chronicles," shakes off some of the folk-music exterior and strives for a more hip-hop-informed sonic sheen and rhythmic bump.

Although he brings up common hip-hop tropes of pimps and playas on the opening cut, "Stop Playin'," and blunt-fueled follies on the hazy "Smoke One," David's folkish narrative comes through on the eerie title track, on which he paints a harrowing picture of Atlanta's gentrification, inner-city strife and the need for black financial empowerment and education.

The slightly reggae-ish "Kin Folk" provides a spiritual contrast to the somberness of "Red Clay Chronicles" as it sees David rejoice about reconnecting with family down South.

But the bulk of "The Red Clay Chronicles" traverses other familiar R&B themes of love and heartache. If he continues to instill his music with his dulcet folk-inspired guitar licks and socially conscious narratives, David could not only stand out from the crowd, but also become a mainstream star. JOHN MURPH



While not averse to either hip-hop conceits or to R&B ones, David's lyrics defy genre conventions, and his sound is as folk-derived as it is '70s soulful.

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Never-Ending Story

Jacques Rivette's long shots reward the patient cinephile

FILM | With their languid pacing, ambiguous editing and elliptical structures, not to mention running times that could tempt even the most proper art house hound to drop a trucker bomb under his seat, the films of Jacques Rivette aren't the most user-friendly offerings of the French New Wave.

But the best of them are among the most gratifying. Over the next seven weeks, the National Gallery of Art and La Maison Française celebrate "Jacques Rivette on the Streets of Paris" with more than a dozen of the director's films.

Only a handful will screen more than once, unfortunate in the case of an auteur whose work improves upon review. Audiences new to 2003's "The Story of Marie and Julien" may see little more than a Gallic "Ghost," where, instead of indulging in sexy ceramics, the lovers eat big toast and exchange lines such as "There's an abyss between you and me, Julien, and I don't know how to cross over." Rent the DVD first, and you'll clue in to the subtle meanings embedded in the script's fugue-like variations.



COURTESY NGA

SILVER-SCREEN MAGIC: Fantasy lapses into make-believe in "Céline and Julie."

Mystery, murder and multiple points of view also anchor this weekend's feature, 1974's "Céline and Julie Go Boating." Dream shades into fantasy then trips over into outright make-believe as Juliet Berto and Dominique Labourier's plucky gal pals explore a realm accessed via hallucinogenic candies and magic spells.

That picture's a genuine masterpiece, but Rivette's exploration of the rigorous labors of making one, 1991's "La Belle Noiseuse," is decidedly not. Although no other film subjects to more thorough scrutiny the battle of wills between painter and model — and despite the unimpeachable screen presence of Emmanuelle Béart's glory-beaming rump — that's four hours better spent elsewhere in the gallery. GLENN DIXON

➜ *National Gallery of Art, 600 Constitution Ave. NW; through Feb. 24, free; 202-737-4215. (Archives-Navy Memorial)*

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DANCE TO THE DEATH: It comes as no surprise to learn that Washington, D.C., native Melissa Ichiuji has a dance and performance background; the bizarre, funny, troubling sculptures in the show "Nasty Nice," on display at Irvine Contemporary, show a flair for the dramatic, mysterious moment and a nuanced understanding of movement and physicality.



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NOT YOUR AVERAGE FEM-JEP FLICK: Laura Dern is in trouble in Lynch's mysterious, difficult night-fright "Inland Empire."

'Empire' State

David Lynch again explores the kingdom of the subconscious

FILM | "Gosh," says director David Lynch, "when I was a Scout, you got 21 merit badges and there you were." In a twist that can only be called Lynchian, it turns out the forensic surgeon of American nightmares ("Eraserhead," "Twin Peaks," "Mulholland Drive") is a courteous, kind, cheerful Eagle Scout. Gosh.

But ain't nothing courteous about Lynch's new three-hour mind-bender, "Inland Empire." Lynch is back in black.

The film delivers an immersive, non-linear experience that somehow rivets from start to finish. And Laura Dern delivers a critic-slaying, mind-blowing, career-high performance. Humor and light do sneak in. So what's it about?

Ha. Let's just say it's not a fluffy date movie. Gents, if you drag your girlfriend to this, here is the director's word to you: "I'd say, number one, this guy's girlfriend is gonna fall in love with this picture and drag him back to see it again. They have an expression: women's intuition.



COURTESY AFI

Lynch is an affable Eagle Scout and spelunker of the American psyche.

The film's about a woman in trouble and your girlfriend's gonna go into that world and have an experience. Later, you can roll it around and make heads or tails of it."

Um. Saying "Inland Empire" is about a woman in trouble is like saying "Apocalypse Now" is about a boat ride. Dern plays an actress who lands a comeback role in a film remake that may be cursed. In the film-within-the-film, shot in prewar Poland, the leads were murdered. Hookers, smugglers, actors and a family of rabbit-headed people co-star. But Lynch assures there is an internal logic.

In Lynch's famously cryptic "Mulholland Drive," one scene (inside "Club Silencio") decrypted the film. So is there a similar key to "Inland Empire"? "Well, sure," says Lynch. Will he share it? "Well, no." Lynch trusts intuition. His and yours.

As a practitioner of Transcendental Meditation, intuition is his daily bread. "We all have a certain amount of consciousness," he says. "What they call the subconscious is that part where the mind isn't working. You expand consciousness if you can take your awareness within, to deeper levels of mind and intellect. The subconscious becomes less and the conscious becomes more. You're revealing the inland empire." Gosh.

BOB MASSEY

➜ *AFI Silver Theatre, 8633 Colesville Rd., Silver Spring; opens Fri., director appearance Sun., 7:20 & 11:30 p.m., $15, $12 members; 301-495-6700. (Silver Spring)*

A World Of New Globes

MUSEUMS | All the world really was a stage at the Globe, the great Shakespearean theater that contained a planet's worth of humanity within its wooden walls.

The flammable, open-air playhouse remains legendary — and that reputation was cemented long before acoustic technology came along. But the needs of actors and audiences have changed since the first Globe was built (it burned down and was faithfully reconstructed, then demolished and reconstructed again) in 1599.

Now, the National Building Museum explores how best to mount, perform and view theater with "Reinventing the Globe: A Shakespearean Theater for the 21st Century," opening on Saturday. The exhibition throws out exciting and innovative ideas about actor- and audience-friendly dramatic spaces, thanks to five architects and set designers commissioned to design their own Globes.

The Ice Globe, for example (why not Snow Globe, we ask?), renders the original theater's design in frozen water. Every character's motivation becomes clear, literally, in the Rockwell Group's proposed Transparent Theater. The Globe Trotter, from the Office of Mobile Design, is a modular contraption that goes from mobile vehicle to fully equipped theater — a sort of high-art Transformer that brings the Bard to you.



COURTESY OF ROCKWELL GROUP

LIGHT UP THE STAGE: A rendering of the proposed Transparent Theater.

The show includes models, drawings and computer renderings of the proposed projects, as well as a glance back at the existing Globes and other Shakespearean theaters that have hosted the Bard's immortal words over the past 400 years.

ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

➜ *National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW; through Aug. 27, 202-272-2448. (Judiciary Square)*

DANCE PARTY | A FIGHT FOR THE CROWN



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Definition Of Success

Ron Sexsmith hasn't sold a ton of records, but he's doing just fine

MUSIC | Ron Sexsmith wants you to know he's doing just fine, thanks. "Often there's this spin when the press talks about me: 'Why can't Ron sell more records?' But I'm actually doing not that badly. This is my tenth album. I've met most of my heroes." The boyish Canadian's songs have been championed by Elvis Costello and Elton John and covered by Feist, Rod Stewart and KD Lang. He's duetted with Coldplay's Chris Martin. It's not bad to be the guy superstars come to for ideas.

"As a writer, the most flattering thing that can happen is when someone decides to do your songs," Sexsmith says. "It's also how us struggling songwriters make their living."

Sexsmith's new album, "Time Being," which brings him to Vienna on Sunday, has earned the best reviews of his long career.

The record capitalizes on his trademark strengths: comfortably voiced classic hooks that carry his wistful parables of love, mortality, and witty social observation. "I never wanted to write anything cynical or pessimistic. I always want even sad songs to be hopeful." That sensibility has brought him the kind of devoted following usually reserved for beloved literary figures.

So they might be surprised to hear Sexsmith confess, "I love Deep Purple. I always loved Queen. I loved that kind of music, but just didn't know how to do it. There came a point in my early 20s that I decided I wanted to make music I could grow old gracefully doing."

Of course, growing old has never even occurred to mainstream idols like your Paris, your Justin, your Beyoncé. But time will take care of that.

Sexsmith's "Jazz at the Bookstore" wryly observes, "Leadbelly's in the background, being drowned out by the grind" — of cappuccino makers at the local Starbucks, that is. The convicted murderer and folk legend has become aural wallpaper for yuppies. It's a fate not lost on Sexsmith.

"When I write songs, they all sound like hits to me. But at the end of the day, I just want to make records that I'm proud of."

BOB MASSEY

➜ *Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E, Vienna; Sun., 8 p.m. $12 advance, $15 door; 703-255-1566.*



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DOST THOU PROTEST? Sure, the Canadian songsmith's got a lot of things to smile about. So why does he look distraught?

Signature With Flourish

An Arlington theater celebrates new digs with a Grimm musical

OUT & ABOUT | The serviceable hulk on Four Mile Run Drive that looked a bit like a refitted garage is out. A gleaming, two-theater building in a block of Shirlington so new the bricks are still shiny is in. The Signature Theatre is ready to reopen and has invited Stephen Sondheim along.

The theater's $16 million renovation and relocation project has culminated in a modern audience-friendly space in the section of South Arlington known for an intense concentration of restaurants and some fine public landscaping. It opens its doors with a two-day celebration on Saturday and Sunday, with performances (by Tony Award nominees Emily Skinner and Euan Morton, among others), readings, family activities, master classes (including one on auditioning taught by Signature artistic director Eric Schaeffer) and backstage tours. Some of the performances and events require tickets, but these are free, as are all of the weekend's programs.



SCOTT SUCHMAN

The shiny new Signature Theatre complements the Shirlington skyline.

In anticipation of the Signature's first show in its new spot, there will also be a preview performance of Sondheim and James Lapine's dark fairy-tale musical "Into the Woods."

And, of course, it's Shirlington, so the entire area offers dining options, and the little half-block carved out for the theater boasts a Caribou Coffee, with more businesses on the way. ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

➜ *2800 S. Stafford St., Arlington; grand opening Sat. & Sun., 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; "Into the Woods" opens Fri., through Feb. 25, $37 (during previews, the first Tue.-Thu. of the run)-$63; 703-820-9771, signature-theatre.org.*

DANCE | **BLOSSOMING**



ENOCH CHAN

MAUVE AGE: The Mead Theatre Lab presents its first dance-theater production, and the honor goes to BosmaDance's multimedia "Violets in My Winter," based on the writings and life of Emily Dickinson. The performances, with dance, music, video installation and poetry, run through Jan. 21.

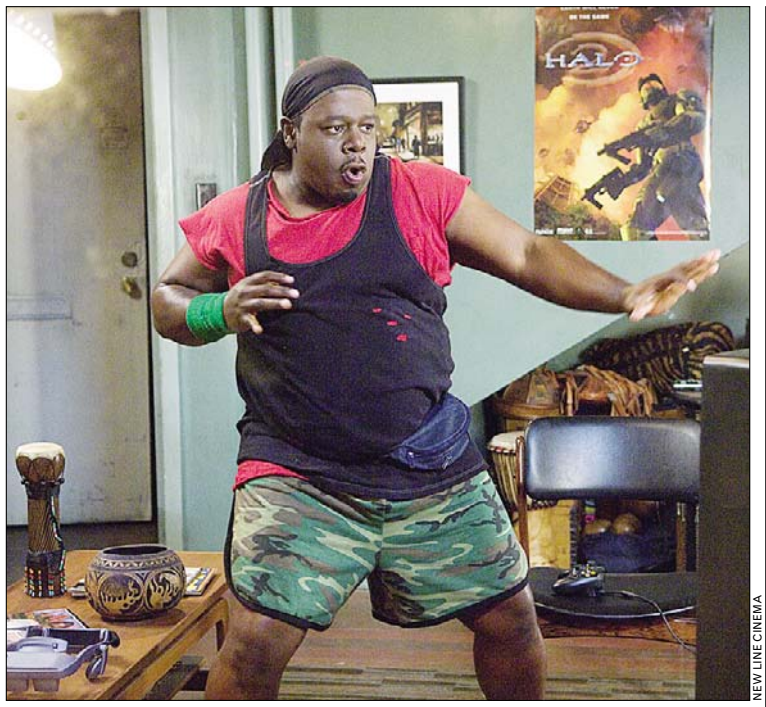
A Walking Punchline

Comedy censorship meets its match in leading man Cedric

GIRLS, GIRLS, GIRLS | Lately, Cedric the Entertainer has become Cedric the Ladies' Man. In the animated "Charlotte's Web," the comedian plays a barnyard gander to Oprah Winfrey's goose, and in his new action comedy, "Code Name: The Cleaner," he has two beautiful women vying for his affections.

"It's kind of fun getting out of the family guy stuff and just doing something where you can have some fun, knock down some walls and shoot some weapons," said the star of such family comedies as "The Honeymooners" and "Johnson Family Vacation."

In "The Cleaner," Cedric plays Jake Rogers, a seemingly regular guy who wakes up suffering from amnesia in a hotel room next to a dead body and a briefcase full of cash. A mysterious woman named Diane (Nicollette Sheridan) shows up claiming to be his wife. She whisks him off to a magnificent mansion she says is theirs. But Jake soon discovers that sexy Diane is trying to drug him for information.



NEW LINE CINEMA

NICE CAMOUFLAGE: Cedric's character battles criminals and the fashion police.

He drives to a local diner, where he meets Gina (Lucy Liu), a waitress claiming to be his girlfriend. But he suspects he is an undercover CIA agent on the trail of an illegal arms dealer. But with federal agents and bad guys after him, Jake has to figure out who he is, and fast. "I tried to have some fun with it, playing with the 'Bourne Identity' of it all," he said. "It's kind of a comedic, looser version of it."

Acting with two beautiful leading ladies also appealed to the St. Louis native, perhaps best known for his scene-stealing supporting role as the outspoken hairstylist in the "Barbershop" comedies.

Though he enjoys acting, Cedric still regards stand-up as his first love and returns to it frequently. He recorded an HBO special last summer called "Taking You Higher," and he is developing a sitcom for ABC.

While his comedy may not be that raunchy, Cedric said he doesn't censor himself when he is onstage. "No, seriously, I don't believe in censorship, and if I feel the need to say a dirty word or say something that has a little more twist on it, then I will do that. But I'm not beating you up with it," he said. "I think artists should have a certain space to do what it is that they do." ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)

Take 10

THE WASHINGTON POST'S FILM CRITICS TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

1 Night at the Museum

This comedy starring Ben Stiller is all about eye-popping scenes of lions and zebras and Civil War soldiers committing sundry acts of mayhem. ANN HORNADAY

2 The Pursuit of Happyness

Every few minutes some new obstacle comes up in the path of striving young father Chris Gardner (Will Smith), forcing him to improvise brilliantly. STEPHEN HUNTER

3 Children of Men

Alfonso Cuaron makes masterful use of cinematic grammar to create a story, a mood and an atmosphere that feels eerily contemporary. ANN HORNADAY

4 Freedom Writers

Hilary Swank is compelling as she faces the hostility of her high school students. But her little victories follow excruciatingly familiar patterns. DESSON THOMSON



UNIVERSAL STUDIOS

ALL THE MEN'S CHILDREN: Clive Owen stops for coffee while the world is ending.

5 Dreamgirls

Aside from a few notable songs, "Dreamgirls" is devoid of memorable tunes — they're like a musical-theater version of soul. ANN HORNADAY

6 Happily N'Ever After

This slick piece of computer animation can be described as a family film, in the sense that it's a film the whole family will want to avoid. ANN HORNADAY

7 Charlotte's Web

The movie feels almost quaint in light of the computer-generated thrill rides that dominate most animation films. DESSON THOMSON

8 The Good Shepherd

This is serious adult moviemaking, surprising from director Robert De Niro, a man deeply interested in the art, craft and psychology of espionage. STEPHEN HUNTER

9 Rocky Balboa

It comes out swinging, and suddenly a silly little movie built entirely on classic hokum seems to matter. DESSON THOMSON

10 We Are Marshall

This skillfully manipulative jock movie recounts a West Virginia university's ordeal. STEPHEN HUNTER

Indies&Arties

P.S. I Love You

Before there was "You've Got Mail," there was "In the Good Old Summertime," the weirdly titled (the original story and other adaptations take place in winter) Judy Garland-Van Johnson romance about the discreet charm of an old-fashioned romantic letter. This screening is part of the National Postal Museum's "Movies About Mail" series.

➜ *National Postal Museum, 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE; Sat., 1 p.m., free; 202-633-5555.*

'Inland Empire'

David Lynch's twisted epic finally comes to our town, and it was well worth waiting for, considering the screening of his hallucinatory masterpiece features the notoriously eccentric auteur in person.

➜ *AFI Silver, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; Sun., 7:20 & 11:30 p.m., $15, $12 members; 301-495-6700. (Silver Spring)*

'Climates (Iklimler)'

Throughout all kinds of weather, love shifts, mutates, warms and cools, but always prevails. Turkish director Nuri Bilge Ceylan stars (with his real-life wife) in this story of various romances taking place against evocative, lyrical backgrounds and a world's worth of climates.

➜ *E Street Cinema, 555 11th St. NW; opens Fri.; 202-452-7672, landmarktheatres.com. (Metro Center)*



NBC FILM

Bilge Ceylan's "Climates" depicts various states of love in various weather.

'The Wind in the Willows'

Kenneth Grahame's outrageous, touching and imaginative book comes to the big screen for small patrons with a 1983 animated adaptation depicting the adventures of Moley, Rat, Toad, Badger and the rest of the gang.

➜ *Avalon Theatre, 5612 Connecticut Ave. NW; Sat., 10 a.m., $5; 202-966-6000, theavalon.org.*

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Bangkok Blues: The Grandsons, 8 p.m., $6.

Black Cat: Dennis Kane, Chaim "Rube" Rebenstein (of Monopoli), Damien Taylor, 9 p.m., $8.

Blues Alley: Maysa, 8 & 10 p.m., $45.

Chick Hall's Surf Club: Acme Blues Company, 8 p.m., free.

Crossroads: Twisted: DJ Majestic spins dancehall and hip-hop, 10 p.m., free.

Five: Static Age: Britpop, indie, new wave, etc., 9 p.m., free before 10 p.m., $8 after.

Iota: Ultra High Frequency, Hand Painted Swinger, 9 p.m., $10.

Jammin' Java: P.M. Dawn, Kill the Alarm, 8 p.m., $15.

Kennedy Center: The Spencer Day Quartet, 6 p.m., free. National Symphony Orchestra (Leonard Slatkin, conductor, Leila Josefowicz, violin) performs Hindemith, 7 p.m., $20-$80.

Love: College Night (Latin rhythms, hip-hop, top 40), free before 11:30 p.m. for those 21 and over.

McGinty's Public House: Timmie Metz, 8:30 p.m., free.

The Red & the Black: The Nice Jenkins, Boyfriends USA, 9:30 p.m., $7.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Georgie James, Fake Accents, 9 p.m., $10.

Twins Jazz: Minor Thoughts Quintet, 8 p.m., $10.

Zanzibar: Jazz Cafe, featuring Steve Cole, 6 p.m., $25. The Positive Black Men Coalition presents Familiar Faces, free before 8 p.m., $25 after 9 p.m. (ladies, $20).

➜FRIDAY

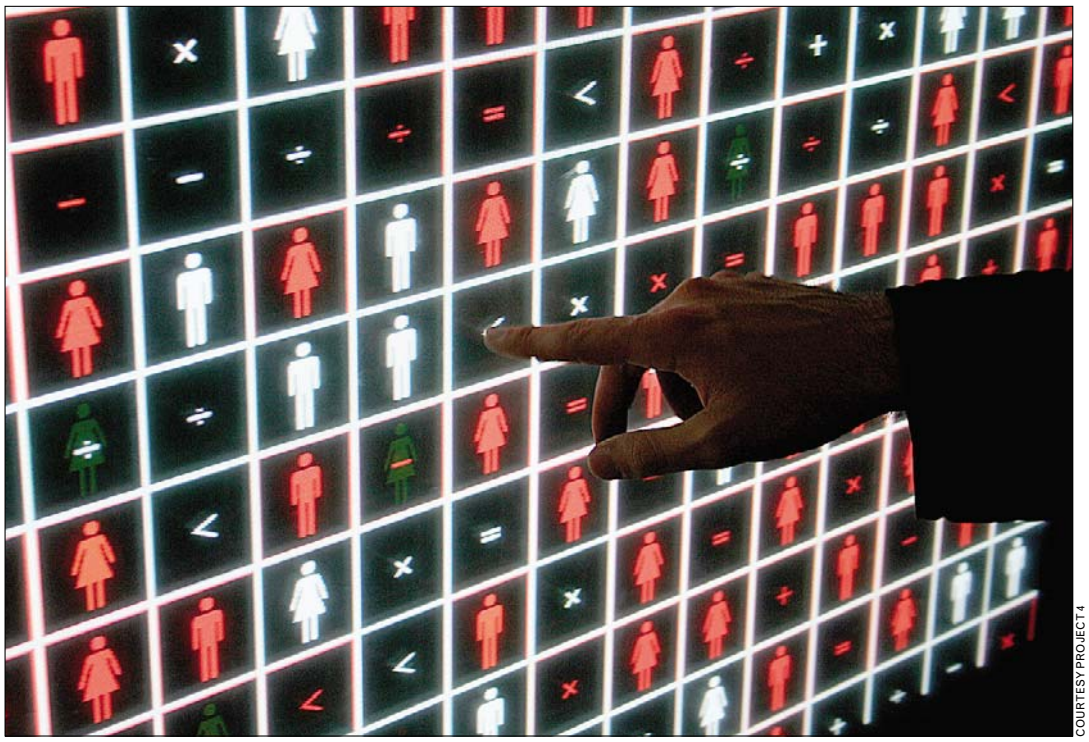
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Bangkok Blues: Danny Blew & the Pluckers, the Acme Blues Company, 7 p.m., $7.

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Jaxx: Bella Morte, So Damn Thirsty, Dead on Impact, Permanent Ascent, 6 p.m., $12.

Kennedy Center: Tony Trischka, 6 p.m., free. National Symphony Orchestra (Leonard Slatkin, conductor, Leila Josefowicz, violin) performs works by Paul Hindemith, 7 p.m., $20-$80.

Love: Krimson & Kreme Ball: Founder's Day party for Kappa Alpha Psi and Delta Sigma Theta, 6 p.m., $20.

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McGinty's Public House: Lionize, 10 p.m., $5.

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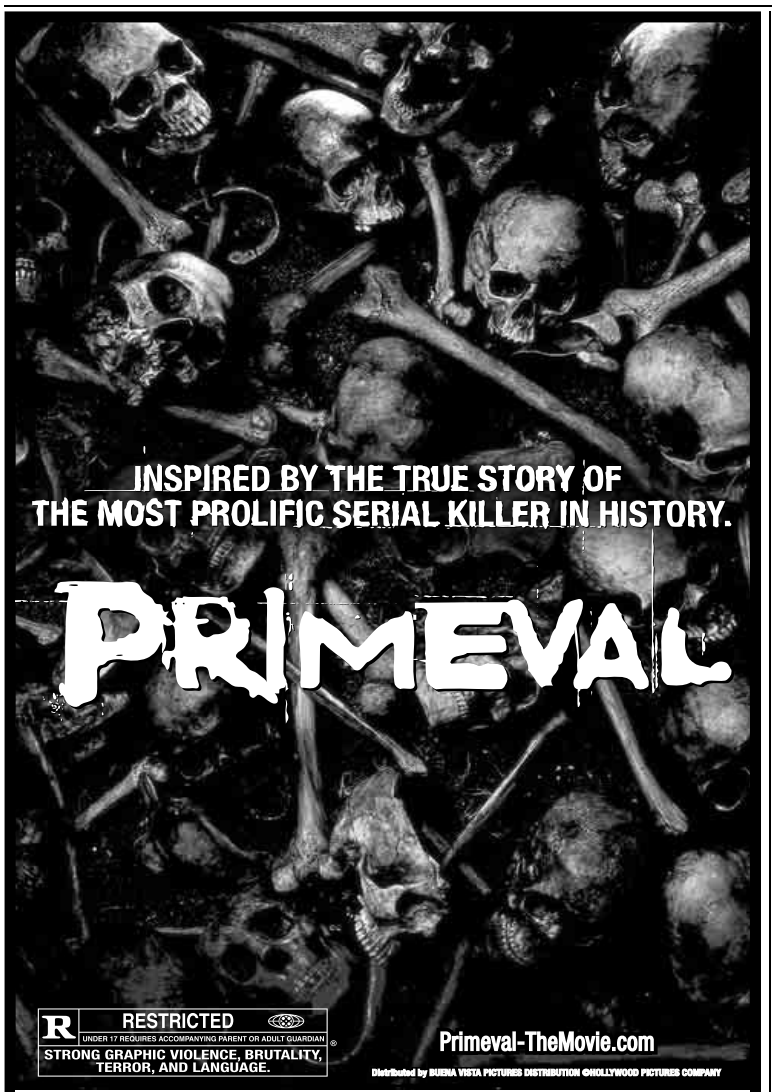


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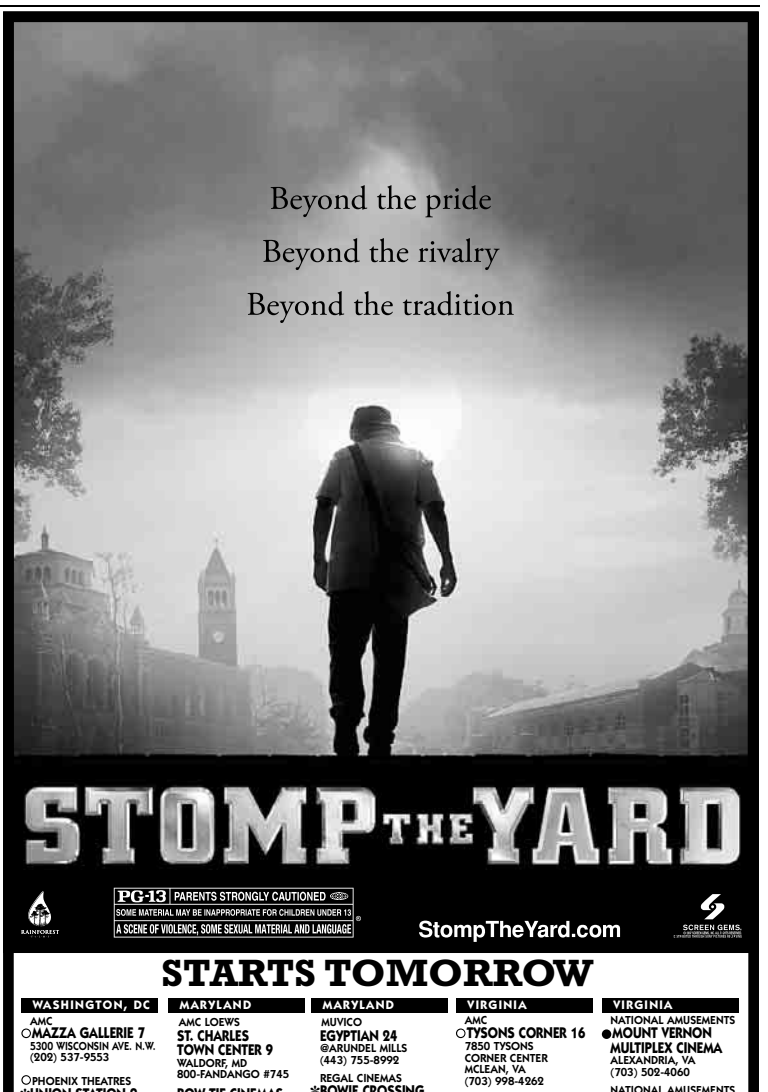
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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) DIG (140) 700
WE ARE MARSHALL (PG) DIG (1245)
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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) DIG (1200 225 455) 730 1010
WE ARE MARSHALL (PG) 950
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PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG-13) DIG (115 415) 720 1005
BLOOD DIAMOND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (150 455) 810
HAPPY FEET (PG) (1245 345) 720

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PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG-13) DIG (130 410) 720 1010
UNACCOMPANIED MINORS (PG) (120 350) 645 920
THE NATIVITY STORY (PG) (125 415) 735 1000
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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) DIG (1245 410) 700 945
BLACK CHRISTMAS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG 800 1030
THE GOOD SHEPHERD (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 430) 815
WE ARE MARSHALL (PG) DIG (1215 345) 645 1000
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CHILDREN OF MEN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (130 430) 730 1010
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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) DIG (145) 745
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HAPPILY N'VER AFTER (PG) DIG (1145 225 450) 735 945
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CHILDREN OF MEN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1135 210 445) 730 1015
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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) 1:45, 2:30, 4:20, 5:15, 7:05, 7:50, 9:55
WE ARE MARSHALL (PG) 4:25, 10:30
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APOCALYPTO (R) 1:25, 7:25
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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) 2:40, 5:10, 7:40
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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) 2:00, 4:40, 7:30, 10:05
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) CC 2:00, 4:40, 7:30, 10:05
ROCKY BALBOA (PG) 2:25, 4:55, 9:55
THE PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG13) 2:05, 4:50, 7:40, 10:20
APOCALYPTO (R) 1:10, 4:15, 7:20, 10:25
BLOOD DIAMOND (R) 1:00, 3:50, 7:05, 10:10
THE HOLIDAY (PG13) 1:00, 4:05, 7:10, 10:15
CASINO ROYALE (PG13) 3:35, 6:50, 10:05

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CURSE OF THE GOLDEN FLOWER (R) 2:20, 5:05, 7:50, 10:30
DREAMGIRLS (PG13) 1:05, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
CHILDREN OF MEN (R) 1:50, 4:30, 7:15, 9:50
NOTES ON A SCANDAL (R) 2:50, 5:20, 8:00, 10:25

LOEWS LEXINGTON PARK 6
21882 FDR Boulevard
301-862-5000

HAPPILY N'EVER AFTER (PG) 5:20, 7:50
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) 4:50, 7:30
WE ARE MARSHALL (PG) 7:00
CHARLOTTE'S WEB (G) 5:10, 7:40
ERAGON (PG) 5:00, 7:20
THE PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG13) 4:30, 7:10
HAPPY FEET (PG) 4:40

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18
2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
703-998-4262

FREEDOM WRITERS (PG13) ✓ 1:10, 4:05, 7:10, 10:10
CODE NAME: THE CLEANER (PG13) ✓ 2:00, 4:35, 7:05, 9:45
HAPPILY N'EVER AFTER (PG) ✓ 2:30, 4:50, 7:05, 9:15
BLACK CHRISTMAS (R) 7:00, 9:35
THE GOOD SHEPHERD (R) 1:30, 5:00, 8:30
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APOCALYPTO (R) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15
BLOOD DIAMOND (R) 4:10, 10:15
THE HOLIDAY (PG13) 12:55, 4:00, 7:00
DEJA VU (PG13) 10:05 PM
CASINO ROYALE (PG13) 10:15 PM
HAPPY FEET (PG) 1:25, 3:55

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DREAMGIRLS (PG13) 1:00, 2:15, 3:50, 5:15, 6:45, 8:15, 9:40
CHILDREN OF MEN (R) ✓ 2:20, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
CHILDREN OF MEN (R) (D) CC ✓ 2:20, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14
10300 Patuxent Parkway
410-423-0520

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CHARLOTTE'S WEB (G) 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:00
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THE PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG13) 1:20, 3:55, 6:50, 9:30
BLOOD DIAMOND (R) 3:30, 6:30
THE HOLIDAY (PG13) 3:05, 6:05, 9:05
CASINO ROYALE (PG13) 4:00, 10:00
HAPPY FEET (PG) 1:05

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DREAMGIRLS (PG13) 1:10, 4:05, 7:00, 9:55
CHILDREN OF MEN (R) 2:35, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05

LOEWS FAIRFAX SQUARE 8
8065 Leesburg Pike
703-506-9857 802

BLACK CHRISTMAS (R) 4:50, 7:05
THE GOOD SHEPHERD (R) 4:00, 7:15
WE ARE MARSHALL (PG) 4:30, 7:50
APOCALYPTO (R) 4:20, 7:10
HAPPY FEET (PG) 4:40
BORAT (R) 8:10
THE DEPARTED (R) 4:10, 7:20

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BABEL (R) 7:30
PERFUME: THE STORY OF A MURDERER (R) 4:05, 7:00
THE QUEEN (PG13) 5:45

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12
800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220

FREEDOM WRITERS (PG13) 1:10, 4:10, 7:05, 10:10
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BLOOD DIAMOND (R) 6:40, 9:45
DEJA VU (PG13) 10:20 PM
HAPPY FEET (PG) 12:50, 4:00

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DREAMGIRLS (PG13) 12:30, 1:30, 3:30, 4:30, 6:30, 7:30, 9:30, 10:30

LOEWS DUPONT 5
1350 19th St.
1-800-FANDANGO #711

THE GOOD SHEPHERD (R) 3:30, 7:00

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BABEL (R) 4:00, 7:30
CHILDREN OF MEN (R) 5:00, 8:00
THR3E (PG13) 5:15, 7:45
THE HISTORY BOYS (R) 4:30, 7:15

LOEWS UPTOWN 1
3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
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DREAMGIRLS (PG13) 2:00, 5:15, 8:30

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16
7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

FREEDOM WRITERS (PG13) ✓ 1:30, 4:35, 7:20, 10:10
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THE GOOD SHEPHERD (R) 1:10, 5:00, 8:40
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ERAGON (PG) 12:55, 3:10, 5:30, 7:55, 10:15
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BLOOD DIAMOND (R) 1:05, 4:20, 7:25, 10:30
THE HOLIDAY (PG13) 1:25, 4:25, 7:30, 10:35
CASINO ROYALE (PG13) 1:05, 4:10, 7:15, 10:25
CASINO ROYALE (PG13) (D) CC 1:05, 4:10, 7:15, 10:25

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DREAMGIRLS (PG13) 1:00, 2:10, 5:05, 7:05, 8:00, 10:45
CHILDREN OF MEN (R) ✓ 12:50, 3:15, 5:40, 8:15, 10:40

AMC RIVERTOWNE 12
Exit 4A I-95, 1/2 mi. on Oxon Hill Rd.
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FREEDOM WRITERS (PG13) ✓ 4:35, 7:40
CODE NAME: THE CLEANER (PG13) ✓ 5:45, 8:10
HAPPILY N'EVER AFTER (PG) ✓ 5:15, 8:10
BLACK CHRISTMAS (R) 4:40, 7:15
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) 5:10, 8:00
ROCKY BALBOA (PG) 4:45, 7:20
CHARLOTTE'S WEB (G) 4:25, 7:00
ERAGON (PG) 4:50, 7:30
THE PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG13) 4:30, 5:00, 7:30, 8:00
BLOOD DIAMOND (R) 7:10
UNACCOMPANIED MINORS (PG) 4:30
HAPPY FEET (PG) 4:40, 7:40

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8
Courthouse and Birch Rd.
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WE ARE MARSHALL (PG) 4:40, 7:30, 10:10
CHARLOTTE'S WEB (G) 5:00, 7:20, 9:40
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CHILDREN OF MEN (R) ✓ 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7
2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

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CURSE OF THE GOLDEN FLOWER (R) 2:10, 4:30, 7:20, 9:40
THE PAINTED VEIL (PG13) 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:50
PERFUME: THE STORY OF A MURDERER (R) 1:50, 4:50, 8:00
THE HISTORY BOYS (R) 1:20, 4:10, 7:30, 10:00
VOLVER (R) 1:40, 4:10, 7:10, 9:30
THE QUEEN (PG13) 1:30, 3:50, 7:00, 9:10
LITTLE CHILDREN (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50

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HAPPILY N'EVER AFTER (PG) ✓ 5:50, 8:15
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) 5:20, 8:00
ROCKY BALBOA (PG) 5:30, 8:00
CHARLOTTE'S WEB (G) 5:50, 8:15
ERAGON (PG) 5:40, 8:15
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LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5
North Bethesda
1-800-FANDANGO #741

THE GOOD SHEPHERD (R) 2:20, 6:25
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) 2:15, 4:45, 7:10
THE PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG13) 2:10, 4:45, 7:30
BLOOD DIAMOND (R) 2:00, 4:40, 7:25

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PERFUME: THE STORY OF A MURDERER (R) 1:50, 4:45, 7:35

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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG)
(!) 5:10, 7:40
HAPPILY N'EVER AFTER (PG)
(!) 5:00, 7:30
HAPPY FEET (PG)
5:10, 7:40
FREEDOM WRITERS (PG-13)
(!) 4:45, 7:50
PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG-13)
(!) 4:45, 7:50
CODE NAME: THE CLEANER (PG-13)
(!) 5:20, 7:30
DREAMGIRLS (PG-13)
(!) 4:45, 7:50
BLACK CHRISTMAS (R)
(!) 5:20, 7:30

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THE HISTORY BOYS (R)
1:55, 4:30, 7:10, 9:55
VOLVER (R)
1:35, 4:20, 7:05, 9:50
CHILDREN OF MEN (R)
1:50, 4:25, 7:15, 10:00
THE GOOD GERMAN (R)
1:45, 4:10, 6:55, 9:30
THE PAINTED VEIL (PG-13)
1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
NOTES ON A SCANDAL (R)
2:10, 4:40, 7:25, 9:40
CURSE OF THE GOLDEN FLOWER (R)
2:00, 4:35, 7:20, 10:00
BABEL (R) 9:20
THE QUEEN (PG-13)
1:40, 4:05, 6:50

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THE GOOD SHEPHERD (R) 3:30, 7:00
NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG)
2:25, 4:50, 7:25
CHARLOTTE'S WEB (G) 2:50, 4:40, 7:10

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Stephen Hunter's take on this week's movie releases
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NOTES ON A SCANDAL (R)
10:05, 12:20, 2:20, 4:30, 7:20, 9:35
PAINTED VEIL (PG-13)
9:35, 12:05, 2:30, 4:55, 7:40, 10:10
VOLVER (R)
9:45 am, 12:00, 2:25, 4:55, 7:30, 9:45
THE GOOD SHEPHERD (R)
9:40 am, 12:45, 3:45, 7:00, 10:05
CURSE OF THE GOLDEN FLOWER (R)
10:00 am, 12:15, 2:35, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30
THE PURSUIT OF HAPPYNESS (PG-13)
9:50 am, 12:10, 2:40, 5:00, 7:50, 10:00

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MISS POTTER (PG)
2:35, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50
PERFUME: THE STORY OF A MURDERER(R)
3:00, 6:00, 9:00
THE PAINTED VEIL (PG-13)
1:40, 4:15, 7:05, 9:45
NOTES ON A SCANDAL (R)
2:20, 4:30, 7:15, 9:25
VOLVER (R)
1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R)
1:45, 4:25, 7:10, 9:40
THE QUEEN (PG-13)
2:00, 4:35, 9:35
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Eating Around

RED HOTS

Dogs (and Toppings) Run Amok in Adams Morgan

Arianne and Scott Bennett's Amsterdam Falafel Shop incorporates references to its namesake city beyond its Euro-style fries —right down to the Dutch address plate outside the door.

Their new venture, M'Dawg Haute Dogs, takes the European concept of condiment bars and applies them to everyone's favorite hot dogs from around the U.S.," said Arianne Bennett. In addition to ballpark franks and D.C.-style half-smokes, M'Dawgs will carry andouille, Chicago Red Hots and bratwurst from Milwaukee's Usinger's. Longtime friend and David Greggory chef, Greggory Hill, will make seasonal sausages and condiments for the restaurant.

In sharpening the focus for their new venture, the Bennetts have solicited advice and feedback from the neighborhood. "The people in this neighborhood are our friends," said Bennett. "But, it's a hard place for new businesses." On the Adams Morgan online board, the Bennetts asked for nominations for which vegetarian hot dog they should use, for example. Condiment suggestions they've decided to incorporate include hot sauces, wasabi mayonnaise, pepper slaw and chipotle-based items — "David's signature"—as well as lentil- and meat-based chili and cheeses.

As proud owners of two bullmastiffs, the Bennetts decided to give the neighborhood the opportunity to show the customers pictures of their pooches. In response to their online request, owners sent in photos ranging from standard doggy grins to bug-eyed Boston terriers dressed in iron-on T-shirts. Once the restaurant opens on Jan. 15th, the owners plan to sponsor "cutest dog" contests, in which winners receive free hot dogs for the month and other prizes. MELISSA MCCART

➜ *2418 18th St. NW; no phone yet.*

JAVA JIVE

Neighborhood Coffee

Walking into 14U — or "one for you" — is like visiting the home of a friend with a taste for '70s flea market décor: brown plaid couches, a kitschy armoire, leather armchairs and La-Z-Boy recliners. In the corner sits a turntable cabinet; owner Kyle Shaw plays old records or tunes in to classic rock on the radio.

Yet Shaw doesn't serve a '70s cup o' joe. His is the first coffee shop in the area to offer Intelligentsia. Mark Pendergrast, author of "Uncommon Grounds: The History of Coffee," describes the founders of the brand as, "fanatical coffee roasters that scour the world for tiny lots of incredible beans."

Shaw's wife, Marleen, leased the space more than a year ago with the hope of starting a coffeehouse. The back room is "Wally's Lounge," named for Shaw's late father. Shaw likes the shop cozy; it feels like his second home, which is nice, considering he's the primary employee.

Customers can visit from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays, and to midnight on weekends for coffee and tea drinks ($2.50-$3.50), bagel sandwiches, a salad or a piece of cherry pie, among other nibbles. (MM)

➜ *14U, 1939 14th St. NW; 202-328-1400. (U St.-Cardozo)*

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SUCH BLISSFUL MEMORIES: Where is P.M. Dawn — the hippie-hoppers behind the early-'90s smash hits "Set Adrift on Memory Bliss" and "I'd Die Without You" — now? Somewhere in the D.C. area, presumably. On Thursday, the duo will pump out pop-infatuated hip-hop at Jammin' Java. New York-based alternative rock act Kill the Alarm opens.

TheScene

Continued from E15

9:30 p.m., $5-$15.

Zanzibar: MajicI02.3 Happy Hour, DJs Naem and Quicksilver, 5 p.m., free before 7 p.m., $20 after 8 p.m.

➜ SATURDAY

Apex: Apex Follies: Drag show hosted by Kristina Kelly, DJ Mark Hawkins, VJ Steve Rosa, 9 p.m., $8.

Bangkok Blues: Barretone, Shortness of Breath, 6:30 p.m., $7.

Birchmere: Eddie From Ohio, Antje, 7:30 p.m., sold out.

Black Cat: Mousetrap (Britpop dance party), 9:30 p.m., $10. "Killing Joke/ Ultravox anti-dance party," featuring DJs Cashlone & Steve EP, 9:30 p.m., free (backstage).

Blues Alley: Maysa, 8 & 10 p.m., $45.

Bohemian Caverns: Will Rast Trio, 9 p.m., $10.

Crossroads: DJs Super Slice and Chick spin reggae, hip-hop, African music and more, 10 p.m., $20, ladies free before 11 p.m. with pass from crossroadsclub.com.

Chick Hall's Surf Club: JP McDermott, Rob Lighthouse, Buck 49, 9 p.m., $10.

DC9: Full Minute of Mercury, Alexis George, Just Like Always, Meet the Speakers, 9 p.m., $8.

Galaxy Hut: Bellman Barker, Mikal Evans, 9 p.m., $5.

George Mason University: Dou-

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venues

Apex: 415 22nd St. NW; 202-296-0505.

The Barns at Wolf Trap: 1635 Trap Road, Vienna; 703-255-1860.

Birchmere Music Hall: 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 703-549-7500.

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Blues Alley: 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-337-4141.

Bohemian Caverns: 2001 11th St. NW; 202-299-0801.

Chick Hall's Surf Club: 4711 Kenilworth Ave., Bladensburg, Md.; 301-927-6310.

Crossroads: 4103 Baltimore Ave., Bladensburg, Md.; 301-927-1056.

DC9: 1940 9th St. NW; 202-483-5000.

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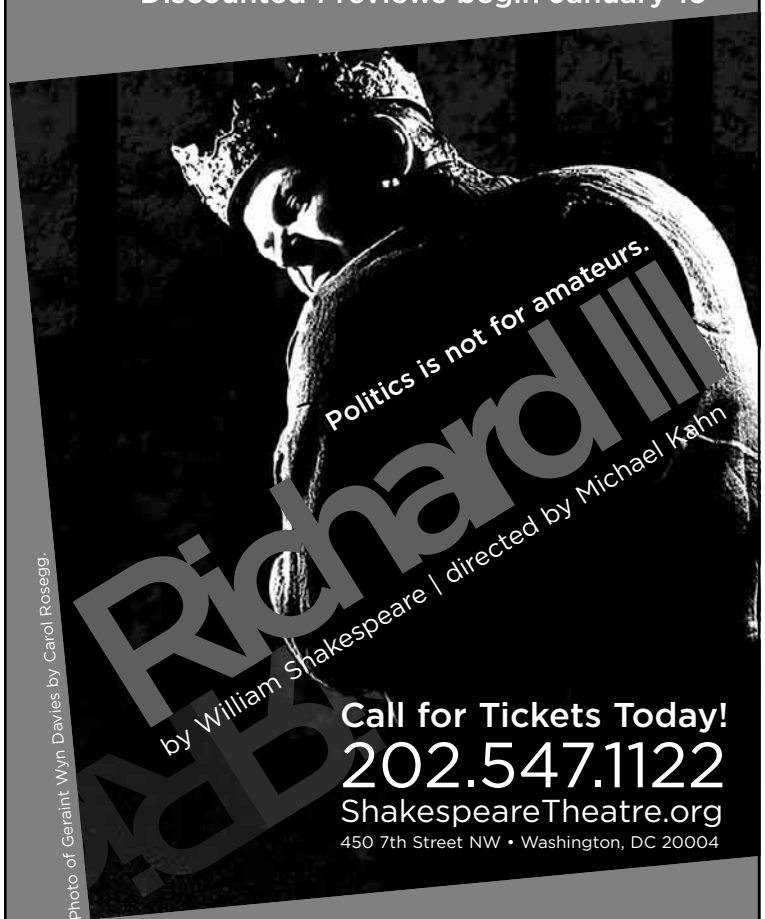


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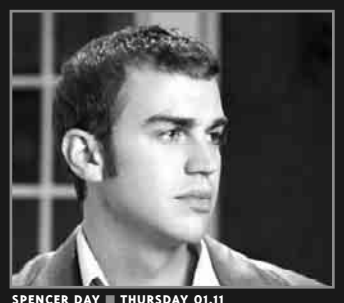
Tue., Jan. 23: SARAH TAVARES
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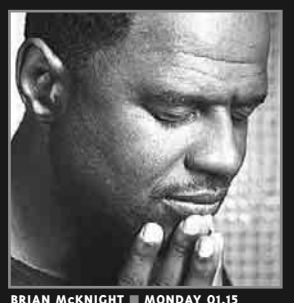
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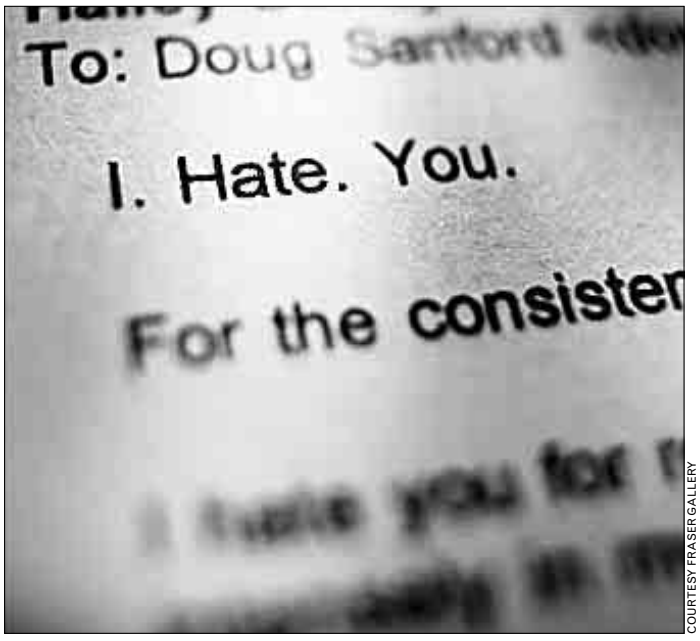
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NOW SHE'S REALLY MAD: Fraser Gallery and other local art spots focus on works from Artomatic, with pieces from many local artists including Doug Sanford, who used real breakup e-mails from an ex in his photos.

TheScene

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ble bassist Edgar Meyer and mandolinist Chris Thile (of Nickle Creek), 8 p.m., $22-$44.

Iota: Harry and the Potters, Someone Still Loves You Boris Yeltsin, 3 p.m., price to be announced (all ages). Luke Brindley Band, Dean Fields, 9:30 p.m., $10.

Jammin' Java: Welbilt, Fools and Horses, Vicious Martinis, Paul Michel, 8 p.m., $10.

Jaxx: Dead Syndicate (CD release), Beyond Fatal, Arsenic, Downfall, After Therapy, Decimated, Darkness Foretold, 4 p.m., $10.

Kennedy Center: Kush Abadey, 6 p.m., free. National Symphony Orchestra (Leonard Slatkin, conductor, Leila Josefowicz, violin) performs Hindemith, 8 p.m., $20-$80. An Evening of Duets with Rene Marie and Kevin Mahogany, 7:30 p.m. & 9:30 p.m., $30.

Lime: Rare Essence, 10 p.m., ladies free before midnight, $25 with pass from tmottgogo.com.

Love: Latin rhythms, top 40, hip-hop and more, 9 p.m., $20.

McGinty's Public House: Tommy Gann, 10 p.m., $3.

Mirrors: MLK Jam with All for You Band, Guess? Who Band, DJ Johnny Blaze, 10 p.m., free.

9:30 Club: Blowoff: DJs Bob Mould & Richard Morel, 9:30 p.m., $20.

Platinum: DJs Gemini and Joe spin hip-hop, reggae, etc., free with pass from platinumclubdc.com

The Red & the Black: The Known Unkowns, Jason Dolan, 9:30 p.m., $8.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Changes (DJs spin the music of David Bowie), 9 p.m., $10.

Strathmore: Alan Toda-Ambaras (cello) and Daniel Austrich (violin) perform Bach, Tchaikovsky, etc., 7:30 p.m., sold out. Baltimore Symphony Orchestra: Rites of Spring, Strauss' Alpine Symphony, 8 p.m., $43-$80.

Twins Jazz: Allyn Johnson Quartet with three vocalists, 9 & 11 p.m., $15.

Warehouse Next Door: Kathy Cashel, Bow Shock, Sean Mcardle, Taffety Punks: Skinhead Hamlet, 9:30 p.m., $6.

Warehouse Theater: Future Shadows, Videohippos, Finfarum, the Cats, 9 p.m., $6.

Zanzibar: Reggae on the Waterfront, International Dance Party, R&B, hip-hop, etc., 9 p.m., $20.

➜ SUNDAY

Bangkok Blues: Open mic blues jam hosted by the Meteors, 8 p.m., free.

Birchmere: Eddie From Ohio, Antje, 7:30 p.m., $29.50.

Black Cat: DJ Dredd's Prince vs. Pharrell dance party, featuring live video by Optical Grooves, 8:30 p.m., $10.

Blues Alley: Maysa, 8 & 10 p.m., $45.

Crossroads: Dancehall Sunday, 10 p.m., $20.

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Jaxx: Graser, Speaker(fire), Starlit Eyes, Sunset Shootout, According to Plan, the Shadow Academy, Full View, Withered Harvest, 3:15 p.m., $12.

Kennedy Center: John Flynn, 6 p.m., free.

McGinty's Public House: Live traditional Irish music, 6 p.m., free.

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The Red & the Black: Psche Origama, Intellek/Dirty Digits, Opus Akoben, 9:30 p.m., $7.

State Theatre: Howard Jones Duo, 8 p.m., $30.

Zanzibar: MLK tribute with Chuck Brown and Leaders of the New School, L!ssen Da Group, the W.H.A.T.?! Band, $25-$40 (in advance), $40 and up at the door.

Sight

LAST CHANCE American Art Museum and National Portrait Gallery: "Ruth Duckworth: Modernist Sculp-

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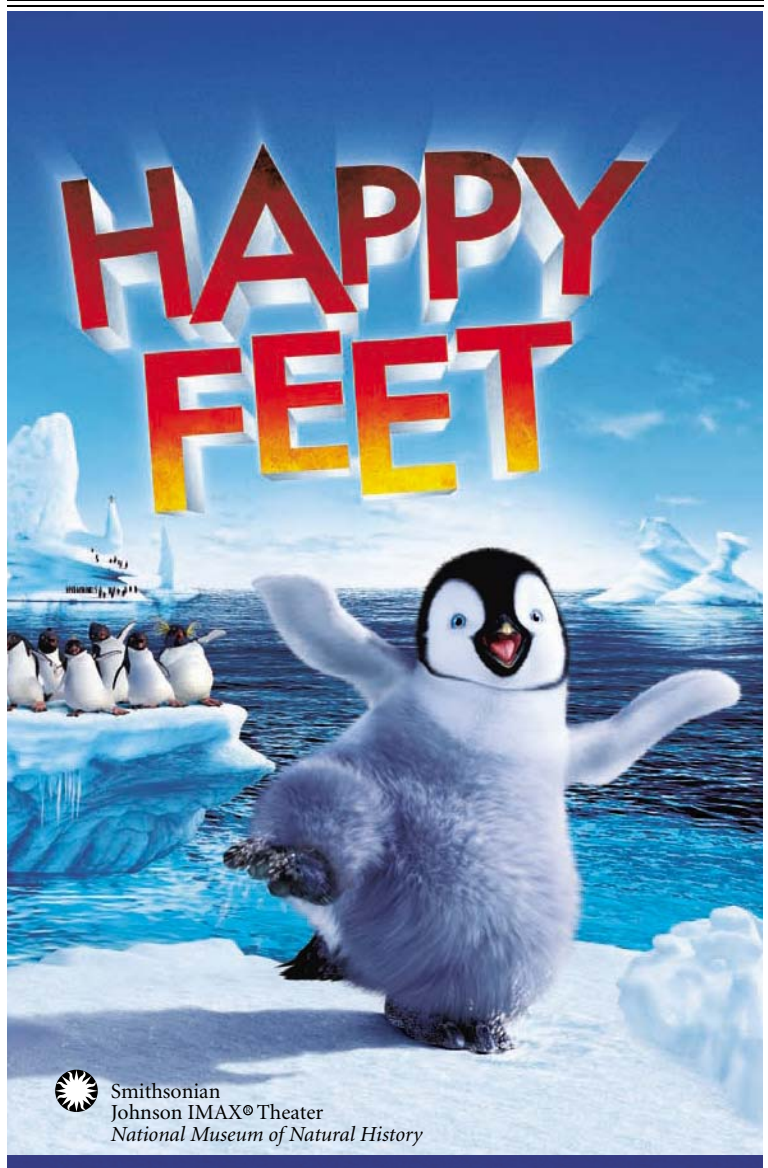
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BALTIMORE SYMPHONY Orchestra Music Director Designate Marin Alsop makes a dramatic comeback at the Strathmore Music Center on Saturday. In her first conducting stint in Bethesda in almost a year, Alsop celebrates the Peabody Institute's 150th anniversary with a program optimistically titled "Music Springs Eternal." The pieces being presented are a study in renewal: Richard Strauss' "Alpine Symphony" and Igor Stravinsky's infamous modern orgiastic frenzy "The Rite of Spring." Members of the Peabody Symphony Orchestra will be performing with the BSO in this homecoming and tribute. *Strathmore Music Center, Sat., 8 p.m., $21-$80, 877-276-1444, bsoatstrathmore.org.* ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)



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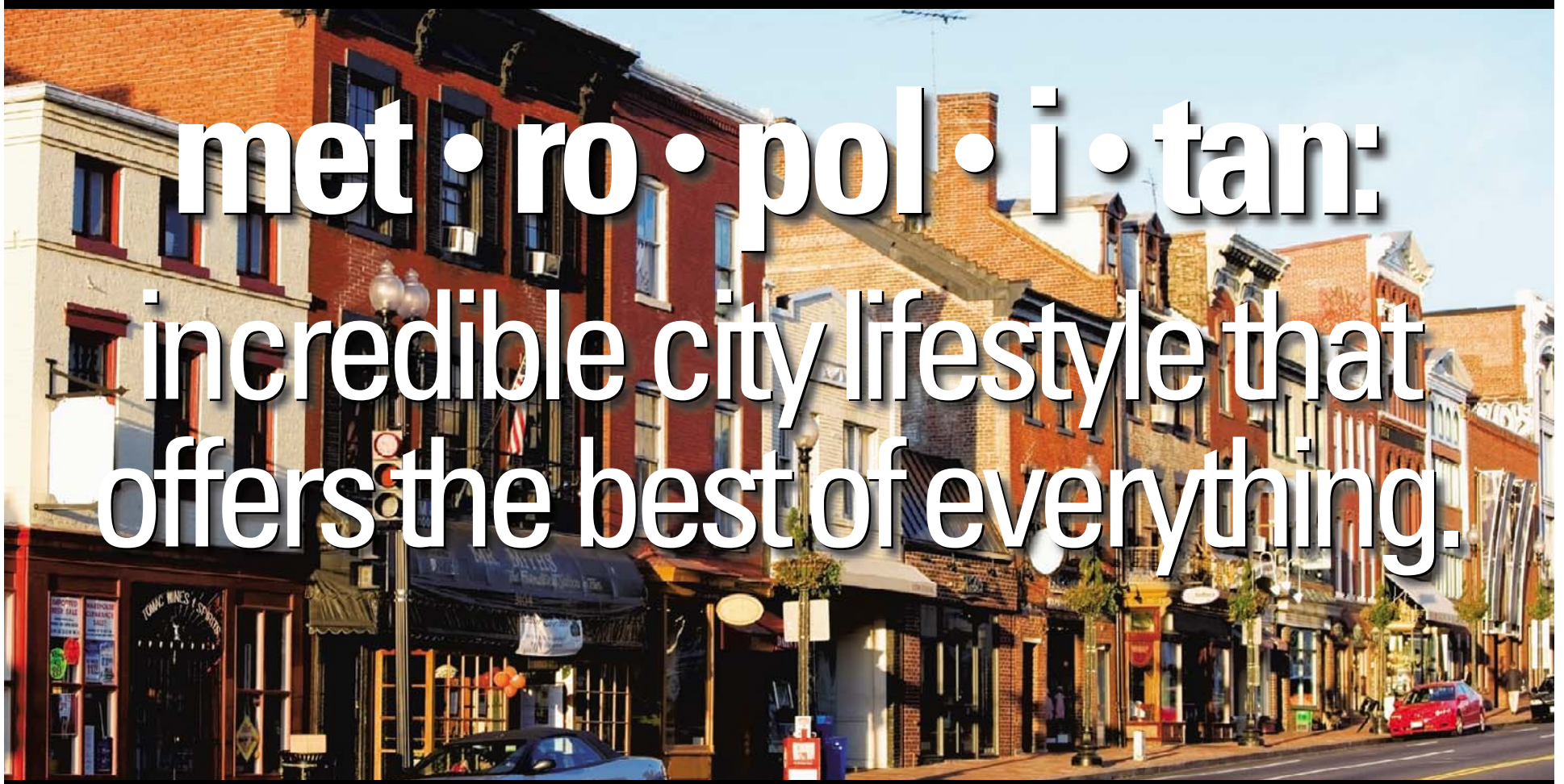
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tor," through Jan. 15. "William H. Johnson's World on Paper," prints by the African-American modernist; "Passing Time: The Art of William Christenberry" images of the American South as it wears away, ongoing. "An Impressionist Sensibility: The Halff Collection," one of the finest private collections from the late 19th and early 20th centuries, through Feb. 4. "Joseph Cornell: Navigating the Imagination," a survey of the visionary modern artist's boxes, collages, objects, films and graphic designs, through Feb. 19. "Outwin Boochever Portrait Competition 2006," through Feb. 19. "One Life: Walt Whitman, a kosmos," through March 11. "Josephine Baker: Image and Icon," through March 14. "Portraiture Now," through April 29. "Gifts to the Nation," through June 3. "Temple of Invention: History of a National Landmark," the construction of "the noblest of Washington's buildings," through July 8. "The Presidency and the Cold War," through July 8. 8th & F streets NW; 202-633-1000, www.npg.si.edu, americanart.si.edu/index3.cfm.

Anacostia Community Museum: "Two Hundred Years of Black Paper Dolls: The Collection of Arabella Grayson," tracing social change through paper dolls; "D.C. Undercover: Photographs by Steven M. Cummings," citizens of the District wearing caps and hats, through April 29. "Banding Together: Public School Bands as Instruments of Opportunity," through May. 1901 Fort Place SE; 202-633-1000, anacostia.si.edu.

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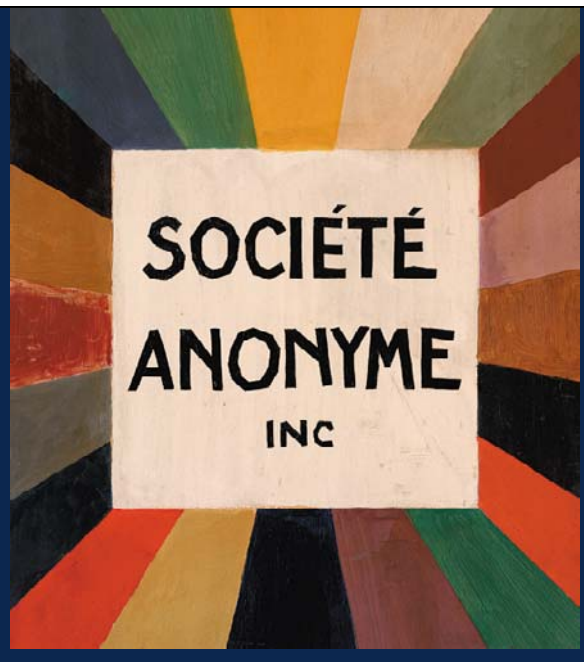


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Arlington Arts Center: "Fresh Paint: Process and Possibility," the work of artists focused on materials and process, through Jan. 27. 3550 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-248-6800, arlingtonartscenter.org.

City Paws: In his exhibit titled "Dog City," artist Graeme King presents area pup-lovers with 20 photographs capturing the essence of local canines, through Feb 1. 1823 14th St. NW; 202-232-7297, citypawsdc.com.

Conner Contemporary Art: "Embedded," Swedish artist Maria Friberg explores masculinity, power and humanity in an exhibit of troubling, elegant photographs and a video triptych, opens Fri., through Feb. 24. 1730 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-588-8750.

Corcoran Gallery of Art: "Joan of Arc," the French icon as seen through lenses of society, politics and culture, through Jan. 21. 500 17th St. NW; 202-639-1700, corcoran.org.

DAR Museum: "Myth or Truth? Stories We've Heard About Early America," the museum examines the reliability of history, through March 31. 1776 D St. NW; 202-572-0563, dar.org.

Flashpoint: "Prayers & Joking: New Works by Cara Ober," Baltimore-based artist's multimedia drawings and paintings, through Feb. 10. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1310, flashpointdc.org.

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nologies of Writing in the Age of Print," an exhibit examining the way individuals in early modern Europe relied upon pen and paper to negotiate what we now refer to as "information overload," through Feb. 17. 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-7077, folger.edu.

Foundry Gallery: "Not Homogenized, Not Pasteurized," solo works by Jenny Brake, with sculptures by Ann Stein, through Jan. 28. 1314 18th St. NW; 202-463-0203, foundry-gallery.org.

Fraser Gallery: "Mini-matic," works by local artists Doug Sanford, Mary Beth Ramsey Tiik Pollet, Rion Hoffman and Kim Bentley, opens Fri., through Feb. 3. 7700 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 301-718-9651, thefrasergallery.com.

Freer Gallery of Art/Arthur M. Sackler Gallery: "Perspectives: Simryn Gill," the Singapore-born contemporary artist transforms found objects into installations, through April 29. "Daoism and the Arts of China," through June 10. "Parades: Freer Ceramics Installed by Gwyn Hanssen Pigott," through Nov. 4. Jefferson Drive & 12th Street SW; 202-633-4880, www.asia.si.edu.

Galerie Myrtis: "Art of the Collectors," African and African-American works of art from prominent local collectors, ongoing, 500 9th St. SE; 202-548-7575.

Gallery Neptune: "Artomatic Picks," the best of the local art free-for-all, through Jan. 27. 4808 Auburn Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-0809, galleryneptune.com.

Goethe-Institut: "Lichtbogen/Arc d'Light," steel sculptor Wulf Kirschner and painter Nicola Staglich collaborate, through Jan. 31. 812 7th St. NW; 202-289-1200, www.goethe.de/ins/us/was/enindex.htm.

Hemphill Fine Arts: "Colby Caldwell: Small Game," photographs by the much-admired local artist, opens Sat., through Feb. 24. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-234-5601.

Hillyer Art Space: "Links: Iron Works by Orna Ben-Ami," through Jan. 25. 9 Hillyer Court NW; 202-338-0680, artsandartists.org.

Hirshhorn Museum: "Black Box: Magnus Wallin," the Swedish artist's nightmares and dreamscapes in high-tech animation; through May 20. "Ways of Seeing: John Baldessari Explores the Collection," Baldessari's installation uses works from the museum's holdings, through July 26. 7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, hirshhorn.org.

Irvine Contemporary: "The Appolo Prophecies," space-age photographs by Nicholas Kahn and Richard Selesnick, opens Sat., artists' reception Sat., 2-4 p.m. "Nasty Nice," creepy-funny-sexy soft sculptures by Melissa Ichiuji, opens Sat., artist's reception 6-8 p.m.; both through Feb. 18. 1412 14th St. NW; 202-332-8767, irvinecontemporary.com.

Katzen Arts Center: "High Times, Hard Times: New York Painting 1967-1975"; "Gifts from the Katherine Dreier Estate"; "William F. Calfee and the Washington Modernists"; "Carlos Saura: Flamenco"; "21st-Century Ibero-American Art"; "Guy Dill: A Decade"; "Talia Green: Entropy Filigree," all through Jan. 21. 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-885-2787, american.edu/museum.

Library of Congress: "Enduring Outrage: Editorial Cartoons by Herblock," an exhibition of original work by the Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoonist, through Jan. 20. "Cartoon America: Highlights From the Art Wood Collection," through Jan. 27. 10 1st St. SE; 202-707-8000, loc.gov/exhibits.

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Marsha Mateyka Gallery: "Whiteline and Watercolor: Recent Works," by Aline Feldman, through Jan. 20. 2012 R St. NW; 202-328-0088, marshamateyka gallery.com.

National Air and Space Museum: "Treasures of American History," many of the National Museum of American History's choicest items — from Dorothy's ruby slippers to Jacqueline Kennedy's inaugural ball gown — find a temporary home, ongoing. 6th Street and Independence Ave., 202-633-1000, www.nasm.si.edu.

National Archives: "The Charters of Freedom," "A New World Is at Hand," "The Public Vaults," Magna Carta" and other exhibitions, ongoing. Constitution Avenue between 7th & 9th streets NW; 202-357-5300, www.archives.gov.

National Building Museum: "The Green House: New Directions in Sustainable Architecture and Design," through June 30. "Washington, Symbol and City," ongoing. "Cityscapes Revealed," highlights from the museum's permanent collection, ongoing. "Reinventing the Globe: A Shakespearean Theater for the 21st Century," opens Sat., through Aug. 27. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448, nbm.org.

LAST CHANCE National Gallery of Art: "The Streets of New York: American Photographs From the Collection, 1938-1958," through Jan. 15. "Alexandre-Louis-Marie Charpentier," the French artist's works in a variety of media, through Jan. 28. "Prayers and Portraits: Unfolding the Netherlandish Diptych," pieces from the 15th and 16th centuries, through Feb. 4. "Strokes of Genius: Rembrandt's Prints and Drawings," an outstanding collection of the Flemish master's works, Sun., through March 8. "An Artist's Vision: Romantic Traditions in Britain," a survey of British romanticism with works by William Blake, J.M.W. Turner, Samuel Palmer and others, through March 18. 600 Constitution Ave. NW; 202-289-3360, www.nga.gov.

National Geographic Society: "Bizarre Beasts, Past and Present," an interactive exhibit showcasing weird and wonderful animals, through Feb. 2. "Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2006," winning and commended entries, through Feb. 4. 1145 17th St. NW; 202-857-7588, nationalgeographic.com/museum.

National Library of Medicine: "Visible Proofs: Forensic Views of the Body," how forensics has viewed the human form throughout history, through Feb. 16. 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; 301-496-6308, www.nlm.nih.gov.

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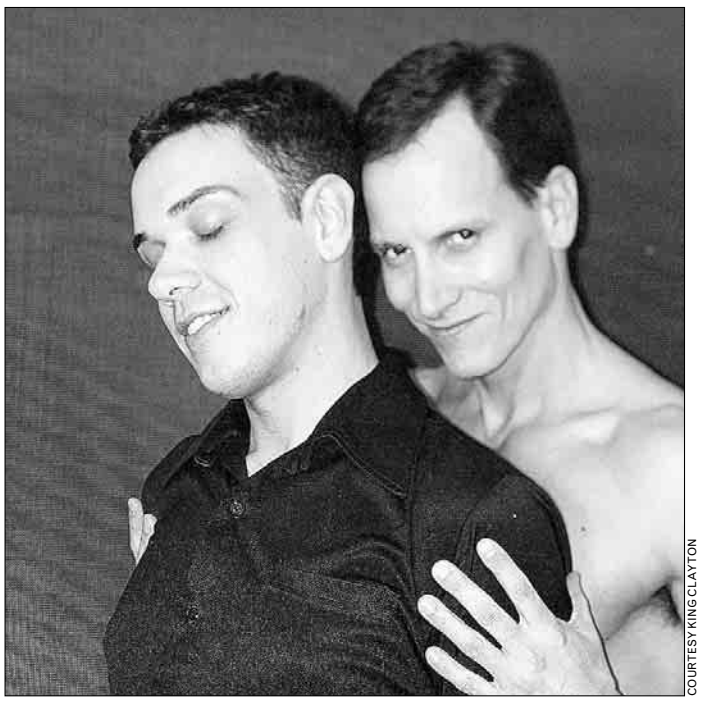


SEAN WATHEN

FEWER THAN 57 VARIETIES: Shane Hines, left, and his backing band, the Trance, play straightforward pop-rock full of familiar-sounding melodies and winning hooks that cry out for a loud radio to emanate from. The band, playin' Jammin' Java on Friday, is, appropriately, set to play London's Abbey Road studios in mid-February.

National Museum of African Art: "Resonance From the Past," African sculpture from the New Orleans Museum of Art, ongoing. "Body of Evidence," contemporary African artists use the body, ongoing. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000, www.nmafa.si.edu.

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COURTESY KING CLAYTON

MUST BE THE WAGES: Comic-book author Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa ("Fantastic Four," "Nightcrawler") is also an award-winning playwright. His "Say You Love Satan" makes light of the Prince of Darkness. In the play, being produced by Dominion Stage at the Gunston Arts Center, a nerdy Baltimore grad student falls for a beautiful guy with good connections, but the new beau's "666" tattoo and alleged lineage don't bode well.

National Museum of Health and Medicine: "Scarred for Life," 35 ink prints by Ted Meyer showing surgical scar marks. "Cartoonists Take Up Smoking," both through March 31. 6900 Georgia Ave. NW, AFIP, Building 54; 202-782-220, nmhm.washingtondc.museum.

National Museum of Natural History: "Nature's Best: Experience Nature Through the Act of Photography," through March 19. "Visual Griots of Mali," 40 black and white photographs by Malian youth, through April. "Transitions: Photographs by Robert Creamer," through June 24. 10th Street & Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, www.mnh.si.edu.

National Museum of Women in the Arts: "The Book as Art," 20 years of artists' books, through Feb 4. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000, www.nmwa.org.

National Postal Museum: "Out of the Mails," examples of the resourceful ways Revolutionary War-era citizens found to circumvent regular mail channels, ongoing. "Trailblazers & Trendsetters: The Art of the Stamp," through Oct. 3. 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE; 202-633-5500, www.postalmuseum.si.edu.

Phillips Collection: "The Société Anonyme: Modernism for America"; "El Lissitzky: Futurist Portfolios," both through Jan. 21. "Shakespeare on Canvas," spotlighting paintings in the collective that refer to the Bard's works, through Feb. 28. 1600 21st St. NW; 800-551-7328.

Project 4: "There's No Time for This," Gregory McLellan and Tim Pittman invite you into their very active but not particularly linear heads for a site-specific collaboration in various media ... and pictures of men in underpants, through Jan. 27. 903 U St. NW; 202-232-4340.

Randall Scott Gallery: Etsuko Ichikawa's subtle, sensuous "paintings" made with treated glass; Gary Weidner's finely wrought works on paper, and Jemima Burrill's disturbing, challenging video works, opens Sat., through Feb. 10; artists' reception Sat., 6-9 p.m. 1326 14th St. NW; 202-332-0806, randallscottgallery.com.

S. Dillon Ripley Center: "Clash of Empires: The British, French and Indian War, 1754-1763," a comprehensive exhibition focusing on the bloody and world-shaking three-sided war fought on North American soil, through March 15. 1100 Jefferson Drive SW; 202-633-1000, www.si.edu/ripley.

LAST CHANCE Target Gallery: "Mixed Messages," a mixed media exhibition that represents artists from the U.S. and abroad, through Sun. 105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565, torpedofactory.org.

Textile Museum: "Mantles of Merit: Chin Textiles From Mandalay to Chittagong," through Feb. 25. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441, textilemuseum.org.

Transformer: D.C.-based emerging artists Ryan Nelson and Rachel Waldron explore cartoons and illustrations as a way of discussing appropriation, through Jan. 20. 1404 P St. NW; 202-483-1102, transformergallery.org.

LAST CHANCE U.S. Botanic Garden: "Lines on Paper: How a Fantasy Becomes a Garden," the process from page to plant, through Jan. 15. 413 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963, usbg.gov.

Warehouse: "Art Romp 19," indefinite. 1021 7th St. NW; 202-783-3933, warehousetheater.com.

Washington Printmakers Gallery: "Lou Stovall: Origin and the Landscape," through Jan. 28. 1732 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-7757.

Zenith Gallery: "New Directions," Paul Martin Wolff's bronze sculptures. "Altered States," through Jan. 30. 413 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963, zenithgallery.com.

Stage

American Ballet Theatre: The ABT performs an exciting program of mixed repertory — Agnes de Mille's "Rodeo," Antony Tudor's "Dark Elegies" and the "Kingdom of the Shades" passage from "La Bayadère" — as well as Lar Lubovitch's "Othello," through Sun., $29-$99. Ken-

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nedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600, kennedy-center.org.

The Countess: Washington Stage Guild puts on Gregory Murphy's drama about an explosive true-life romantic tangle in the inner circle of British Victorian arts, through Feb. 4, $35-$40. 1901 14th St. NW; 240-582-0050.

Desire Under the Elms: American Century Theater stages Eugene O'Neill's shocking drama about a hothouse love triangle, through Feb. 3, $23-$29. Gunston Theater II, 2700 S. Lang St., Arlington; 703-553-8782.

Into the Woods: Signature Theatre celebrates its new Shirlington digs with a production of the Stephen Sondheim musical, opens Fri., through Feb. 25. 2800 S. Stafford St., Arlington; 703-820-9771.

LAST CHANCE Junie B. Jones & a Little Monkey Business: In this musical comedy, precocious kindergartner Junie B. feels the pangs of sibling rivalry while her mom is still pregnant, through Sun, $10-$20. Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave., Bethesda; ImaginationStage.org.

King Lear: The Folger Theatre and the Classical Theatre of Harlem's co-production of Shakespeare's moving family tragedy, set in the ancient Middle East, through Feb. 18, $25-$33. Folger Shakespeare Library, 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544–7077.

Macbeth: Synetic Theatre brings its unique dance theatrics to Shakespeare's tragedy, through Feb. 25. Rosslyn Spectrum, 1611 N Kent St., Arlington, 703-824-8060, classika.org/synetic.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Mandinkola! — The Legend of Sundiata: Kankouran West African Dance Company presents the story of King Sundiata's epic battle in 1235, Sat., 8 p.m., Sun., 4 p.m.,$20, $15 members, students, seniors, artists, full-time teachers, $7 ages 17 and under. 3225 8th St. NE; 202-269-1600, danceplace.org.

Mojo Mickybo: This two-man play set in 1970s Belfast, Ireland, is a production of the Keegan Theatre's New Island Theatre Project, featuring smaller plays, through Feb. 3, $20, $15 students, seniors 60 and over. Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington; 703-228-1850.

Noises Off: British director Jonathan Munby squeezes maximum zaniness out of this hysterical play about a theater troupe in farcical disarray, through Jan. 28, $55-$74. Arena Stage, 1101 6th St. SW; 202-488-3300, arenastage.org.

Emilio and the Enchanted Cow: The story of a boy artist and the beast he draws into life performed by Mexico's Marionetas De La Esquina, for ages 5 and up. The Sat. 1:30 performance will be in Spanish, Fri.-Sun., $15. Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600, kennedy-center.org.

Say You Love Satan: Dominion Stage puts on D.C. playwright Roberto Aguirre-Saca's night-black comedy about a grad student and a gorgeous boyfriend who may literally be from hell, opens Fri., through Jan. 28, $17, $15 students and seniors. Gunston Arts Center, 2700 S. Lang St., Arlington; 703-683-0502.

The Seven Ages of Mime: Mime Mark Jaster's family-friendly new show brings together movement, live music, acrobats and humor, through Jan. 28, $25-$35. Round House Theatre, 8641 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; 240-644-1100.

Sleeping Arrangements: A play by Laura Shaine Cunningham about growing up in the Bronx with her eccentric family, refugees from Eastern Europe, through Feb. 18, $25-$45, students $20; Thursday's performance is $25. District of Columbia Jewish Community Center, Theater J, 1529 16th St. NW; 202-777-3248.

SATURDAYS ONLY Son of a Bush: Gross National Product's timely sketch show, ongoing, $30; Warehouse Theater, 1021 7th St. NW; 202-783-3933, warehousetheater.com.

LAST CHANCE Stomp: The international percussion hit — ha! — makes plenty of noise, through Sun., $34.50-$52. Warner Theatre, 513 13th St. NW; 800-551-7328.

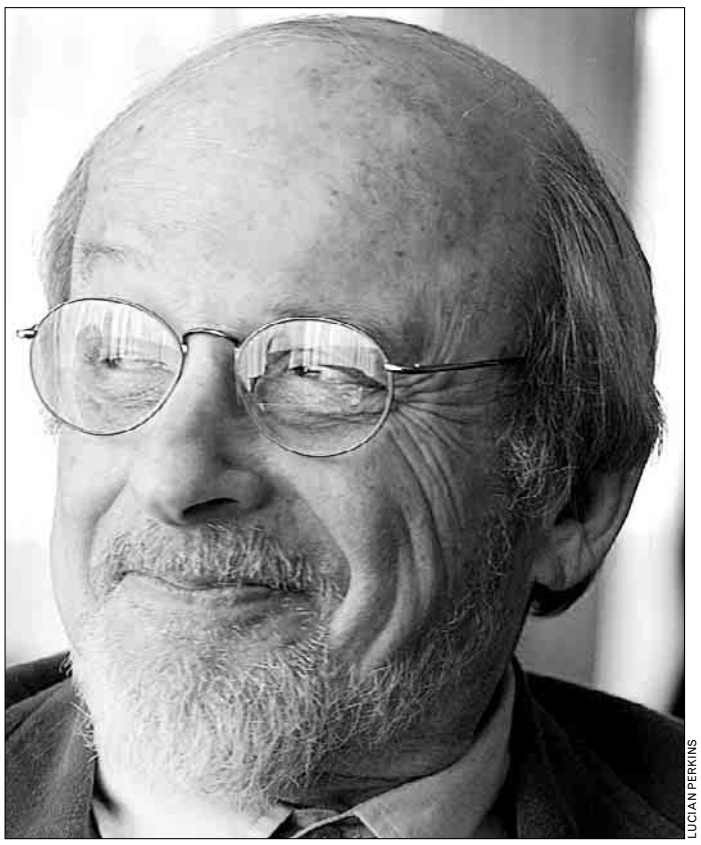
This Is How It Goes: Provacative playwright Neil LaBute's take on American racial prejudices is that they are somehow deeply, irrevocably ingrained, through Feb. 11, $34-$55. Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300, studiotheatre.org.

The Twelve Dancing Princesses: Children's Theatre stages the classic fairy tale, through Jan. 13, Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road, Arlington, $10, $8 children, students and seniors. 703-548-1154, encorestage.org.

Violet in My Winter: BosmaDance's multimedia take on the life and work of Emily Dickinson inaugurates the Mead Theatre Lab's dance and theater performance series, through Jan. 23. Flashpoint DC, Mead Theatre Lab, 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1340.

LAST CHANCE War of the Worlds: Adapted from H.G. Wells' novel and Orson Welles' radio play, this play explores the masterful manipulation of the media and its impact on ordinary Americans, through Sun., $25-$32. D.C. Arts Center, 2438 18th St. NW; 703-683-2824, scenatheatre.org.

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?: Bill Irwin and Kathleen Turner star in Edward Albee's corrosive drama about an academic marriage almost psychotically riddled with untruths and regrets, through Jan. 28, $25-$78. Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600, kennedy-center.org.



LUCIAN PERKINS

For a Second Time, The Doctorow Is In

HISTORICAL NOVELIST and social critic E.L. Doctorow (the author of "The Book of Daniel," "Ragtime" and "City of God") returns to the District to bask in the glory of receiving a second PEN/Faulkner Award. The prize is conferred annually on the author of the best American novel of the year. Doctorow, who also earned the PEN/Faulkner for 1989's "Billy Bathgate," was honored again in 2006 for "The March," which narrates Gen. William Tecumsah Sherman's brutal march to the sea during the Civil War. He'll read from the book and take audience questions. *Folger Elizabethan Theatre, 201 East Capitol St. SE; Fri., 8 p.m., $15; 202-544-4600. (Capitol South)* TIM FOLLOS (EXPRESS)



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